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MINUTES

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 24

MRS. J. Harvey Hutchman, First Vice President called the first session of the Annual Meeting to order. The devotional service was opened by singing Psalm 150. Mrs. Hutchman read sixteen verses from the Fourth chapter of Ephesians, and led in prayer.

After an anthem effectively sung by a large chorus choir, Mrs. C. M. Gibson, Chairman of the Local Committee, was introduced. She welcomed the delegates *most warmly*. "If you doubt it, consult the thermometer," she said. She emphasized her welcome by speaking of the preparations that had had been made with a "willing heart," with much prayer, and with the expectation of a great blessing.

So Kansas bids you welcome
With her fields of waving grain
And her sunflowers tall and yellow
And her ripe and golden corn.
We would bid you come more often
Than in days of yore you've come
For you'll always find a welcome
Where the sunflowers bloom.

Mrs. J. D. Sands President of the Board, responded happily to this greeting. She referred to the reputation for hospitality that the West enjoys, and to the fact that Kansas holds a place in the front rank for reform, especially with reference to prohibition. The speaker urged upon the delegates the motto, "Service." This word seems to be the one most used by every form of public business. She urged us to so serve that impressions may be made upon our time and generation. This is the aim of our organization as well as of our individual members. She spoke with much earnestness of the unity of Christian people, quoting from John Oxenham:

"In Christ there is no East nor West,
In Him no South nor North
But one great Fellowship of Love.
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high commission find,
His service is the golden cord
Close-binding all mankind.

In Christ now meet both East and West
In Him meet South and North,
All Christly souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth."

The Convention Song was sung. This composition was written by the late Dr. J. B. Herbert, and has been made the Convention Song as a memorial to one who devoted his genius to setting sacred words to music, especially the Psalms. This song was arranged from the 22nd and 72nd Psalms, with a refrain from Philippians.

"At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
And ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord."

The President's address was based upon the Convention theme: "One God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all."—Ephesians 4:6.

She introduced her subject by showing that there is one Father over all our missions fields, that the hand of one Creator is evident in nature and all the physical phenomena which beautify every land on the globe. Mountain and forest, cloud and lake, sunrise and sunset, with their incomparable tints are but proofs that God is everywhere, loving the beautiful. With vivid illustrations and pictures drawn from her recent visit through our foreign mission fields, the address was replete with information concerning our stations in these fields and our workers.

The evils in India were noted as being especially grevious; idol worship, caste, and child widowhood. The only remedy for these is in Gospel teachings, schools and medical help. The great need of doctors and nurses was dwelt upon. The hunger for Christ on the part of Egypt, Sudan, India and Abyssinia is unquestioned. It is in itself a call to greater effort on our part.

This same hunger is in our home land. The Freedman, the foreigner on our shores, the neglected and mistreated Indian—all need God, and all are worthwhile, not merely as objects of evangelization, but because these groups have a great contribution for our commonwealth. The genius of Southern Europe, the sturdiness of the Northern part of the continent, the qualities of the Freedman and the Indian bring to us a realization that our efforts at their Christianization result in adding to this nation values that cannot be estimated. God is with these people, and we dare not despise them. The deepest need of people East and West, North and South is God. If His image is stamped on these immortal souls, we will have done something which will brighten all eternity.

A vocal solo was followed by the presentation of the Local Committee, the Women's Board of Directors and staff of the Womens Missionary Magazine.

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson presented five Home Missionaries and Mrs. H. Campbell, likening herself to the "woman who lived in a shoe, who had so many children she didn't know what to do," introduced the Foreign missionaries present, 27 in number.

The President then announced the Credential Committee:

Chairman—Mrs. H. E. Lobaugh, Kansas City.
Mrs. J. M. Lashly, Illinois Southern
Miss Anna M. Crawford, Pawnee.

Announcements by the Chairman of the Local Committee were followed by the closing prayer and benediction by Dr. J. H. Hutchman.

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 25

Miss Dora Whitely of India led Morning Worship; Psalm 145 was sung. A season of silent prayer followed, giving thanks for blessings during the year, asking for guidance and direction on this first day of our meeting, seeking special direction for the local committee, officers and members of the Convention, and praying for all on the program that God's name may be glorified.

Psalm 16, with the refrain, "For I know whom I have believed," was wonderfully sung by the delegates. The Scripture lesson was read from Colossians, 3rd Chapter, after which the leader closed the hour with prayer.

On motion the program of the Convention was adopted without change.

The minutes of Friday evening were read and approved.

The Credential Committee made its report, which was necessarily incomplete. The report was accepted and the Committee continued.

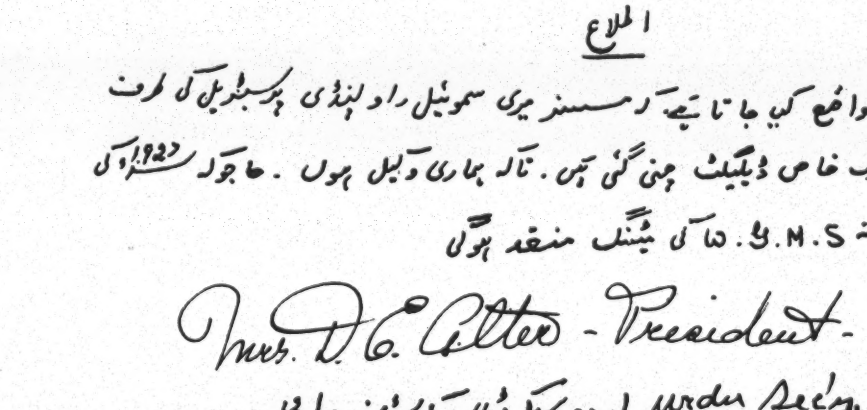
On motion of Mrs. H. C. Campbell, all missionaries, Home and Foreign, were admitted to full voting privileges.

The roll was called in accordance with the reports of the Credential Committee.

The following Committees were appointed by the Chair.

Recommendations

Chairman, Mrs. C. C. McNary, Conemaugh
Mrs. Fred W. Warren, Albany
Mrs. George Maharry, San Francisco
Mrs. Jane Gerkin, Chicago



Credentials of Mrs. Mary Samuel, Rawalpindi, India, in Urdu

Resolutions

Chairman, Miss Elizabeth McMillan, Colorado
Mrs. William Nichol, Boston
Mrs. Laura Gast, Keokuk
Mrs. J. H. Johnston, Texas

Nominations

Chairman, Mrs. John Grossman, Butler
Mrs. O. S. Ramsey, Oklahoma
Mrs. R. N. Hofstetter, Puget Sound

Tellers

Chairman, Mrs. Charles Hammond, Uncompahgre
Miss Wilma Willis, Westmoreland
Mrs. Victoria Nivison, New York

Place

Chairman, Mrs. George W. Patterson, Philadelphia
Mrs. Paul Stewart, Big Spring
Miss M. McPherson, Steubenville

The report of the Recording Secretary of the Board of Directors, Miss Jennie Wallace, was read and adopted.

The removal of Mrs. D. J. Brown by death was noted. Her place on the board has been filled by the election of Mrs. J. French Kerr.

The Board has been represented by delegates at the General Assembly, denominational meetings at Muskingum, Tarkio and New Wilmington, as well as various inter-denominational conferences.

A protest against Sabbath opening of the Sesqui-Centennial was reenforced by a refusal of denominational literature for exhibit purposes.

The following members of the Board complete their terms at this Convention:

Mrs. H. C. Campbell
Mrs. W. S. Cook
Miss Ida B. Little
Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
Mrs. R. E. English

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The Statistical Secretary, Mrs. R. E. English, presented her report as follows: These figures include the young women, juniors and senior members of the Missionary Societies.

America	48,715
India	1,904
Egypt	3,454
Grand total	54,073

This report was adopted.

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The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill, together with the Auditor's statement, was read and adopted with applause. This report shows a cash balance, April 15, 1926, of $188,-608.65 The receipts for the year ending April 15, 1927 were $566,730.99. The disbursements for the year ending April 15, 1927 were $594,216.64. The balance on hand April 15, 1927, including the 1925 Thank-Offering, is $161,123.00. While this balance seems very large, it must be remembered that the summer season is here, in which the income from societies is less than at other seasons, and that the Missionaries' salaries and other necessary expenses must be paid from this fund: the sum is none too large to meet all the requirements.

Mrs. J. D. Sands, Financial Secretary, made her report after the Auditor's statement had been read. This report shows a balance on May 1, 1926 of $1,627.43. The total receipts for the year ending April 30, 1927 were $21,729.30, making a grand total of $23,356.73. The total disbursements for the year were $21,-062.25, leaving a balance on hand April 30, 1927 of $2,294.48.

This report was adopted.

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The report of the Parsonage Secretary, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering together with the statement of the Auditor, was presented and both were accepted. On April 15, 1927, the outstanding loans for the fiscal year amounted to $266,155.26. This sum represents help given to congregations from Maryland to California and includes one to the Foreign Board of $13,320.00 for a teachers' residence for the Girls' College in Cairo, Egypt.

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An opportunity at this point was given for a discussion of the reports that had been presented. Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, urged that all

Thank-Offering money be sent to her January 1st or 2nd. The fiscal year closes on April 15th, and it requires all the time available to prepare the reports for the General Assembly and to close the year's business promptly. She explained that the Thank-Offering includes Life Membership Fees. Sometimes these fees are sent by the Presbyterial Treasurer and the name and address of the one to whom the certificate should be sent is omitted. The Treasurer cannot send the certificate until she has these and there is consequent delay and disappointment.

Mrs. Hill was asked why the 1926 Thank-Offering had not been reported. She answered, "because it *will* be reported at this Convention. The money has been put on interest and will not be touched until this Convention has adjourned."

In view of the full report of the Secretaries thus far Mrs. J. H. Gibson moved that the delegates express their appreciation by a rising vote.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell read the paragraph from the Charter concerning the program authorized for the Annual Meeting, and commended the delegates for their evident interest in the reports. Attention was called to the use of the Life Directorships in erecting churches and schools that might not otherwise be done. A school has been built at our Ezel Mission by Junior Life Memberships and a church at our Frenchburg Mission by our Life Directorships.

The first hour of meditation and inspiration was directed by Mrs. Mary B. Samuel of Rawal Pindi, India. She introduced the service by singing Psalm 9. After prayer, she told the delegates of the prayer that she and her companion offered in the morning before they started out to do the visiting for the day as Bible women. They prayed that they might be led to such homes and to such persons as needed them. In one such home, the woman of the house listened to the story of the Prodigal Son and to the reading of the 51st Psalm. The woman was a Mohammedan and was so touched by these messages that she said, "Today God has visited our home." Another home was entered in which the woman was eating her breakfast. The Bible Women withdrew and returned after the meal was finished, as their presence at such a time would be an intrusion. They learned that the woman was a priestess of the Sikhs of the community, but so ignorant that she did not know the meaning of the "sacred" books that she read to her neighbors. She listened to the story of the birth of the Savior and to the testimony of the Bible Women. Then she begged for more help that she might kno Jesus, the Savior, and tossed awa her own "sacred book" as she mad the request. She was taught this prayer: "O, God, Show me thy way, and the way you show, I will follow." The impression made upon her was so deep that she followed the Bible Women beseeching them for their prayers, using constantly the one she had been taught. She is now enduring persecution, having been taken from her home and withdrawn from all contacts with the missionaries.

Mrs. Samuel then narrated the story from Luke 11, of the insistent night visitor who came for bread; having been refused again and again,

the visitor persisted and finally won his request. So the people of India are hungry for the bread of life. There are many longing to know God.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 25

The devotional service was lead by Miss Marion Paden of Egypt. Her opening song was Psalm 92, and her theme, "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me." Miss Paden read passages from the "Word" to show that praise should follow special blessing, and dark times as well even though the latter seems difficult, in sunshiny days and cloudy days, that people may know that there is something real in our Christianity. A verse from the 40th Psalm was followed by personal testimonies from the delegates, verses from the Word and reasons for praising God.

The first series of reports for the session was from the Womens Missionary Magazine and was given by the Treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Moore, and the Editor, Mrs. J. P. White. The Treasurer's report with the Auditor's statement was accepted. At the close of March 31st, 1927, this report showed a net gain of $394.96.

Mrs. White reported a good year. She is planning a drive during the coming fall for an increase in subscriptions, hoping to reach 20,000. This report was adopted.

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Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, Editor of the Junior Magazine presented her report, together with the Auditor's statement, both of which were accepted. While the ideal for the Junior Magazine has not yet been reached, the subscription list is increasing. 7,600 copies are being printed and used each month. The report was supplemented by the presence of two Juniors appropriately costumed and bearing a banner calling attention to the magazine. The Juniors sang a bright melody urging all to subscribe for the magazine that the children may have it in the home.

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Amid great applause, Mrs. H C. Campbell, Foreign Secretary, gave her report. This was much abridged for lack of time, but was full of valuable information. Mrs. Campbell introduced her report by telling the delegates "that from the beginning our Heavenly Father planned that women should have some part in the work of the Kingdom, and should be held responsible by Him for the faithful performance of every duty." "Let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments. Walk about Zion, and go round about her; tell the towers thereof. Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following. For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death."

For the first time in the history of the Department, but one missionary has been elected during the year, Miss Lillian Billington. There have been other applications, but only one who met the requirements for the work. We hope that in answer to prayer, others may be accepted before the party sails this fall.

An increase of $9,601.75 for salaries from presbyterials is thankfully acknowledged. The total receipts for salaries from all sources amount to $118,418.40. The total disburse-

ments for the year are $117,081.09. There is a balance of $1,337.31, exclusive of the balance of the previous year.

For the coming year the Women's General Missionary Society must provide for the following responsibilities.

INDIA

Support of 71 missionaries
Support of 55 Bible women
Maintenance of hospitals, dispensaries, schools, etc.
Estimates for the year $97,042.00.
(Last year, $98,688.00. Sec'y)

EGYPT

Support of 55 missionaries
Support of 65 Bible women
Maintenance of hospitals, dispensaries, schools, etc.
Estimates for the year $86,195.50
(Last year $85,497.00 Sec'y)

SUDAN

Support of 11 missionaries
Support of 2 Bible women
Maintenance of Bible Women's House, Schools and nurses.
Estimates $20,345.00
(Last year $27,505.00 Sec'y)

ABYSSINIA

Support of 8 missionaries
Maintenance of George Memorial Hospital and Missionary residences
Estimates $14,460.
(Last year $15,726. Sec'y)

The term of service has been slightly changed with reference to our unmarried missionary women. The first term is to be six winters in Egypt and India, and all succeeding terms seven winters.

This report was adopted.

(See report page 831)

In the absence of Mrs. W. S. Cook, Secretary of the Home Department, the report of this work was given by Mrs. J. D. Sands. The following are the objects of support by this Department:

6 workers among aliens
4 city missionaries
4 Presbyterial missionaries
1 interpreter to deaf-mutes
2 stations for the Mountain People of Kentucky.

Sabbath School attendance has increased according to the reports of the missionaries, and there have been additions to the church membership in both Ezel and Frenchburg. At Ezel, 15 have been received on profession. There were 14 adult baptisms. At Frenchburg 28 were received by profession. Frenchburg has put into its school curriculum a full four-year course in Vocational Agriculture and Shop Work, and has installed a complete small printing press. Ezel has developed the weaving of beautiful rugs and linens, in addition to the making of handkerchiefs and other articles.

This report was adopted.

(See report page 809)

The report of the work among the Freedmen was read by the Secretary, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson. Among many interesting statements were these: Conversions have been many; contributions to church work have been in advance of previous years. Mr. T. J. Gillespie bought one of the best pianos on the market for the Jennie Hastings Gillespie School as a memorial of her for whom the school is named. Community canning clubs have been organized which teach the people to save fruits and vegetables that would be otherwise lost. The storm which swept over the Southland injured some of our wonderful

trees, and damaged the roof of the school building at Camden.

This report was adopted.

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Mrs. Wilson took a few minutes to report on the Isaiah Fund. There are 15 delegates at this meeting, she said, who would not have been here, had there been no Isaiah Fund. She stated the requirement for sharing in this fund. The application *must* come through the Presbyterial, and be made early in the year. The check will be forwarded to the delegate as soon as her name and address are known, in plenty of time for the Convention.

This report was adopted.

The report of our Indian Work was given by Mrs. J. French Kerr. She said that three American Indian stations report a pleasant and profitable year. Evangelistic meetings were held at Warm Springs, conducted by the evangelists from the Nez Perce Indians, assisted by our own missionary, Rev. R. H. Barr. Twenty-four expressed a desire to live a new life, some of whom were by re-profession. The evangelistic meetings held at Simnasho resulted in five conversions.

Rev. R. G. Smith, Tama, Iowa, reports that two graduates of Haskell Institute, Lawrence, Kansas, have been teaching the Sabbath School lessons to their classes in the Musquakie language. There have been ten adult baptisms in our Tama mission.

This report was adopted.

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In the discussion which followed the afternoon's work, Mrs. H. C. Campbell asked the privilege of making a report on the attendance of seven members of the Board at the General Assembly. A most courteous hearing was given to the women, and generous applause before, during, and after the Women's report. This report was referred to a committee of which Dr. James Parker was chairman. The report was adopted by a rising vote and follows in full.

REPORT ON WOMEN'S BOARD

"Your Committee on the Women's Board has examined the Annual Report of the Board and reports as follows:

We find all the departments of the work in a flourishing and prosperous condition. The zeal and devotion characteristic of the Board's work in the past continue to yield large returns.

Considering the fact that the Women have had to meet many difficulties common to the Church's work succeeding the New World Movement period, we consider it indeed remarkable that they have again brought the year's work to a close without a deficit in any department. The Board has a long and enviable record of meeting promptly all its obligations, and in these days of financial stress that record is worthy of the highest commendation.

The Thank-Offering for the past year in the Home church amounted to more than $170,000—this being the largest offering in the history of the Board. This annual Thank-Offering affords an opportunity for the whole Church to express its gratitude in a practical way.

We would make special mention of the important contribution which the Board makes through the Junior societies to the youth of our Church.

If the oncoming generation is to go forward in the Master's work it must have young life supplied to it, trained in the ideals of Christian stewardship. It is the opinion of your Committee that no other organization of the Church is doing so much to educate our youth in an understanding of the great Commission as the Women's Board is doing through the Junior societies.

We also note with satisfaction the method which the women employ in planning and executing their work. They recognize God as their Counsellor. Prayer is given a large place and it is our opinion that the manifold accomplishments of the Women's Board can only be understood when we know something of the volume of prayer which is going up from day to day on behalf of their work. They have encouraged this exercise in a very practical way through the publication and use of the Prayer Cycle.

A single resolution is recommended for your adoption, namely: That the work of the Women's Board be given the highest commendation of this Assembly, and that we express our appreciation of their accomplishments by giving the Women of the U. P. Church a rising vote of thanks for all that God has enabled them to do this past year.

It is our prayer that God's richest blessing may continue upon this Board during the months that are ahead.

Mrs. Mary Samuel resumed the leadership of the hour given to Meditation and Inspiration, by singing verses from Psalm 42, after which the Convention engaged in silent prayer.

Mrs. Samuel then related experiences in the school with which she was connected in India. One of these was on the value of prayer, and the joy of forgiven sin.

A little girl lost her school book, and was much troubled, as she was too poor to replace it. Her friends helped her search, but unavailingly. The other girls in the school, 200 in number, were addressed by Mrs. Samuel, and all began praying for the return of the book. During the day, a child who had taken the book, came to Mrs. Samuel in great distress of mind, confessing her sin to her, and expressing herself ready to make public acknowledgement of her wrong. She went first to the little girl whose book she had taken, then appeared before the 200 girls in chapel, and confessed her fault. She was completely restored to the confidence of her teachers and since that time, there has never been a theft in this school. This incident is but a little parallel of God's forgiveness when a sinner reveals his sin, and forsakes it. Only a sense of forgiven sin can fit us for service.

Mrs. Samuel told about the desire to read the Word of God on the part of native Christians. One dear woman of 104 years, has been taught the Braille method when she was too old to see the characters in the ordinary book.

Many prayers were offered by delegates and the final petition by Miss Mary Martin of India. A wonderful chain of verses on the subject of forgiveness were repeated by the delegates, after which they joined in singing the 51st Psalm "Whiter than

snow." The session was then adjourned until 8 p. m.

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 25
THANK-OFFERING NIGHT

Mrs. O. H. Milligan, presiding

An organ prelude was followed by the processional of Thank-Offering bearers from 57 presbyterials, who came up the aisles singing the 96th Psalm:

"Tell all the world His wondrous ways,
Tell heathen nations far and near;
Great is the Lord and great His praise
And Him alone let nations fear."

Psalm 106 was sung by the Convention.

After a vocal solo, the invocation was offered by Miss Marion Paden of Egypt. The program for Thank-Offering night as printed in the official program was followed.

The Responsive Reading was a well chosen collection of verses all bearing upon the subject of praise, and the Lord's care for his people.

A trombone solo, "The Holy City" was acceptably played, after which the annual pageant was presented by the young people of Pittsburg. This pageant was written for the program by Mrs. O. H. Milligan and under the title, "The Alabaster Cruse," presented in a forceful way the conversion of the Spirits of Selfishness, Greed and Indifference, to unselfishness, generosity and interest in others. This change was wrought by the influence of the Spirit of Love, the Spirit of Thank-Offering and two voices who added their words of praise and acknowledgement to the Heavenly Father for his mercies. A processional of Juniors entered singing—two pages bearing a Thank-Offering box—and gave added reasons for using the "Blessing boxes." These reasons were emphasized by representatives in costume from all our mission fields in home and foreign countries, all of whom plead for more help and workers.

An electric cross illuminated the center of the platform. The pageant was presented with dignity, and was an impressive argument for the Thank-Offering phase of the Women's work.

The presentation of the presbyterial Thank-Offerings was the climactic moment for the women of the Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church, and the announcement of the 1926 Thank-Offering was received with gratitude—$173,069.09. This is $11,519.04 more than the Thank-Offering of 1925, and exceeds any previous Thank-Offering.

The Consecration prayer was offered by Mrs. H. C. Campbell, and lifted all hearts in gratitude to the Giver of all good.

Egypt and India through their representatives in costume, presented their Thank-Offerings, $3837.60 and Rs. 2753-3-6 respectively. These two offerings are applied to work in their respective lands, and as they do not pass through the hands of the General Treasurer, do not appear as a part of the above sum, but are added to it to get a grand total.

With the singing of the 90th Psalm, and the benediction by Rev. R. A. Wallace, the meeting stood adjourned until Sabbath afternoon at 2:30.

SABBATH, AFTERNOON, JUNE 26
THE MEMORIAL SERVICE
Mrs. J. B. Hill presiding

After an instrumental prelude the Convention united in singing Psalm 103; verses were read from Corinthians, John and Revelation bearing upon the resurrection and immortality.

Mrs. O. H. Milligan then led in prayer, thanking God for the promises read, for the gifts that have come into our lives through Jesus Christ, for the dear ones of whom we are thinking this day, for their devoted service in foreign lands or at home, for their love for God that prompted service, for their example, and praying that we may be more steadfast and emulate their devotion.

Psalm 16 was then sung.

The Honor Roll for the year just closed contains the names of Miss Jane Martin, Miss Mable H. Stewart, Miss Carrie M. Buchanan, Lit. D., Miss Clara Spears and Mrs. D. J. Brown.

Mrs. J. D. Sands spoke briefly in tribute to Mrs. D. J. Brown, who passed from service to reward on July 14, 1926. She had completed her work for the year in every detail before the Convention held in Monmouth last June, but was not able to attend herself.

Mrs. Brown delighted in God's House and served her Master in every act of her life. Missions were her natural outlet, having given herself early in life to Jesus Christ. She was a teacher in the Sabbath School, always a mission worker, for a time corresponding secretary of Allegheny Presbyterial and later a member of the Board of Managers of the Orphans Home and associated with it for years. In 1917 she became a member of the Board of Directors of the General Missionary Society and served in various capacities in that body. She was especially beautiful in her relations to others. Always free from criticism of others; always cheerful, efficient, devoted, she was an inspiration to her friends. She is now in the presence of the Master whom she served so well.

On July 15, 1926, the call came to Jane Martin in India. Mrs. Mary Samuel having been associated with her as friend and worker, paid tribute to her. She said that Miss Martin had talked much to her while they were in Taxila about her experiences at home when a school girl and especially of her spiritual concerns and development. She was always ready to help the sick, and to solace the bereaved. She wept with those who weep and rejoiced with those who rejoice. Her love and service for Taxila should call forth our prayers for that Mission.

The Missionaries from India concluded this tribute by singing the 23rd Psalm in Punjabi. There were 18 singers and the beauty of this part of the service will long be remembered by the delegates.

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson paid tribute to Miss Clara Spears, who passed away on April 5, 1926. She had spent 20 years as matron of McCullough Hall in Knoxville College, beginning at a time when this work was not as popular as it is now. Hundreds of young colored men rise up and call her blessed. Her work was done largely during the time of

Dr. McGranahan's presidency of Knoxville College. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Mrs. H. C. Campbell was chosen to pay tribute to Miss Mable Stewart and Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan, both of whom were missionaries in our foreign field. Miss Mable Stewart was not permitted long service in India, having been allowed to spend but 9 months on the field. She went out late in 1924 and was assigned to Sialkot, but was unable to stand the climate. She died February 8th, 1927. Her father said, "She was made perfect through suffering." The last 21 months of her life were filled with great physical pain, but she never lost her cheerfulness, nor her faith. She has left a great testimony behind her.

Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan was one who had the rare capacity to see a door of opportunity where other people saw but a stone wall. She was always sweet, gracious and sympathetic. She came as an American Missionary to Egypt in December, 1893. At the end of four months study of Arabic she was sent to Assiut to have charge of the Pressly Memorial Institute. There were then two hundred or more girls in the school. Later, she taught in the American College for boys in Assiut, —History of Religion, Church History, General History, Bible and Philosophy. One of the rarest gifts of Miss Buchanan was that of being able to interest people of means to share with her and with the Missions in giving the girls of Egypt an opportunity for education. Among many others who gave liberally were Miss Bruce of Scotland, a grand-daughter of David Livingston, and Theodore M. Davis, who was so closely identified with the excavations at Thebes.

Dr. Buchanan's literary work consisted chiefly in writing articles on child welfare and various social topics for the Arabic newspapers and biographical sketches of the lives of eminent women.

Dr. Buchanan early arranged her affairs so that her work should continue after she should be called away. She arranged that the income from the annuity bonds which she held should be used for the Luxor Girls School for extra scholarships for poor worthy girls or in any way that the Board may deem wise as a *special*, not to be used in the regular appropriation.

She has entered eternal life and received the welcome from the Saviour whom she loved so well.

Mrs. J. B. Hill gave the final word to the Memorial Service. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

After singing Psalm 4, Dr. J. H. Hutchman took charge of the Communion Service. Psalm 122 was sung and after the invocation, Rev. R. A. Wallace read the scripture lesson from Isaiah 53. Dr. Hutchman took for his text the words of Paul in Galatians 6:17: "I have branded on my body the marks of Jesus." Only a brief resume of the masterly sermon which followed can be given here.

The words, "The Lord Jesus," reminded the Galatians that others might come to them and preach another Jesus with a totally different conception than Paul's.

Judaism of the First Century and the Modernists of today are alike in that they preach another Jesus than Paul preached. When the Gospel is thus deleted, the end is come of the Jesus who saves from sin and a great stone is rolled to the door of the world's only hope; for they take out, "Lord." No one is left to reveal to us the consciousness of Divine Love and Divine forgiveness. The merely human Jesus does not save the soul of a sinner.

If Jesus were not God, we know not love, we have no Saviour, no forgiveness, and death ends all.

"O Lord, My Saviour now to thee,
Without a hope beside, I flee
To Thee my shelter from the strife
My portion in the land of life."

The marks that were "branded" were not on the physical body, but on the spirit of Paul,—character marks. Such marks mean ownership of God and imply that we may become blessings to God and that he abounds in blessings to us. As our owner, the Lord knoweth them that are His, he loves unto the end, and conforms us to His own image. It is vital to hold and live the fundamental life that the spirit of God may move mightily in the world today.

Paul said, "I long to share in His suffering." Because he loved so dearly.

This communion service should make us long to share the sufferings of our Lord because we love Him and would rally to His service.

Dr. Gibson, who gave 17 years of service to this congregation, laying the foundation for any subsequent success that may have come to it, offered the sacramental prayer. He besought "Our blessed Christ" that we may have his presence at this hour.

An impressive service at the Lord's table was terminated by a prayer of thanksgiving offered by Rev. W. A. Matthews of Simnasho, Oregon.

SABBATH EVENING, JUNE 26
FOREIGN MISSION NIGHT

Mrs. H. C. Campbell presiding

The processional of 30 foreign missionaries was the opening feature of the Foreign Missions program. A violin solo, "The Angel's serenade" was played effectively.

The devotional service was led by Miss Lillian McConnell of India. Psalm 149 was sung and Miss Ella Barnes of Egypt led in prayer. An anthem, "Judge me, O God" was rendered in a spirited manner by the chorus choir.

Miss Frances Turk, Sudan, read "the walk to Emmaus," the story of the great commission, and the call to harvest because the "fields are white." The leader said that to be with Jesus in the worship of the hour is to prepare to walk and talk with Him when we go out to our work. He vanished from the sight of His disciples and may not be present to our physical sight, but is not far away from any of us.

After singing the 73rd Psalm, Mrs. Mary B. Samuel brought greetings from India to this Convention. She said that 35 years ago the first missionary Society was organized in her mothers's home. There are now five presbyterials: Sialkot, Rawalpindi, Sargodha Gujranwala and Gurdaspur. They hope to have a General Society. A Thank-Offering jar is

provided for the women and in spite of the New World Movement, the Thank-Offering was the largest in the history of the work there. It amounted to more than $3,000.00 Mrs. Samuel says that their women have lost nothing by learning to give.

The missionaries have had social gatherings for the women, which have been a great pleasure to them as their homes do not offer opportunity for such meetings.

Last Christmas, they were made very happy by having a Christmas tree. This was the first Missionary Society tree they had ever had and it was beautiful with its lighted candles and gifts for each one. These gifts had been sent to them by some friends in America and were much appreciated.

The native women have learned through their Missionary Societies how much can be done in one's own town by the women themselves and the Junior Societies. They feel that they have been taught many important things by our American Societies: tithing, Sabbath observance, family worship, psalm singing are some of these things.

Miss Mary Martin addressed the audience on "Our Women in India." She said the women in that land are treated as inferiors. Even the missionaries cannot always get the service to which they are entitled because of this superior attitude on the part of the men. Many instances of mistreatment of wives were referred to. The people of India express great astonishment that American parents permit their daughters to go so far away from home as to become missionaries in a foreign land. They do not trust their own daughters and wonder that American mothers trust theirs. The missionaries try to teach the native women that they must act so that they can be trusted.

Education is not often permitted their girls because it is thought they may not know how to use it. There seems very little encouragement judging from the meagre results so far, to expect much in the way of education of the girls of India until later generations. As Moses had to begin at the bottom in his development of the Children of Israel, so *everything* must be done in India. The "inertia of the masses" must be overcome. There must be trained leadership among the native women as well as men before there can be a strong native church.

The hospital work is very important. Every bit of available space in Taxila is used. Preaching, teaching, healing, was the Master's program, and and is the program of the modern Missionary. In spite of discouragement, the clouds are breaking a little and changes are coming.

Miss Anna B. Criswell addressed the Convention on the work for girls in Egypt. In our various schools, there are now 7000 girls altogether. Miss Criswell is convinced that evangelism will fail where there is no education to prepare girls to go out and teach. The majority of the girls are in elementary schools. In these schools all religions are represented, but the influence of the school is felt in the lives of the girls after they have gone into homes of their own or have returned to their par-

ents homes. The hope of the future rests largely with these girls.

Bible work in the school and in Sabbath Schools is kept up regularly. Missionary societies are organized among the girls.

The Egyptian people are carrying in large measure the burden of these schools. For every dollar spent on education in Egypt (exclusive of missionaries salaries) the people of Egypt give 77½ cents.

Our schools are over-crowded, and there is a lack of Normal teachers. Some of the Egyptian women have caught the vision of educated womanhood and we must help them realize it.

After singing Psalm 48, Miss Blanche Soule, Sudan, spoke touchingly of the dearth of doctors and nurses. The work of the nurse is most important in teaching children how to care for themselves and to take care of the smaller children.

The people are so bound down by superstition that they do not trust the doctors, but pray to their gods and offer sacrifices. Some of the people are now overcoming this superstition. The speaker told the story of two little children who could not walk, but were restored by our medical workers; their restoration has done much to break down superstition and restore confidence in Missionary physicians. No form of service surpasses that of the medical Missionary. The story of one man who was entirely indifferent to the need of a sick friend, brought out the fact that the natives look upon the Missionary as a "person of Jesus" and draw a distinct line between those who are not Christian and those who are. They expect little from those who are not Christians, but expect all consideration from one who is a "person of Jesus."

The children of Abyssinia formed the subject of Mrs. D. C. Henry's brief talk. She regards the care of orphan children as our "baby opportunity," and says that this opportunity opens the way for an orphanage and makes possible the training of children for the Saviour. "Girl opportunities" resulted in opening a school which cared for 14 girls out of personal funds in Sayo, when the order for retrenchment had come from home. Mrs. Henry says that the Missionaries have tried to meet *their* opportunities, and she wonders about the folks at home. She added, "if you fail, you fail Jesus."

The Evening offering was taken.

After singing Psalm 121, Dr. Hutchman pronounced the benediction and the meeting stood adjourned until 9:00 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 27

The hour of Meditation and Inspiration opened the day's work. The morning song was Psalm 5. After prayer, Mrs. Samuel read verses from John 4 and Matthew 9.

The requirement of Jesus, she said, was to look upon the fields ready to harvest, but he that had sowed did not necessarily reap.

Mrs. Samuel said that going in and out of homes in India reminds her of Jesus as he went from place to place sowing the seed. She has received invitations from native women who desired to know God,—who hungered for God. Their sacred books have

failed and their priests were only able to advise fasting and make foolish exactions. One seeker was told to sit from four o'clock in the morning until sunrise for eight successive days in a stream of cold water. She did so, but seeing a snake in the water one morning and a man in a nearby field she became terribly frightened and fled from the place to the priest. Having told him her fears, he reproved her saying, "You came to me to know how to find God and I told you to follow my instructions. The snake in the water was God and the man in the field was his priest and you have run away from the very thing that you sought." Disheartened, the woman welcomed the message from the Bible women and was overwhelmed at the simple approach to our God. She learned the prayer, "Lord, show me the way, and the way you show I will follow." She was willing to endure hunger, physical pain and suffering if only she might find God. Mrs. Samuel's message for the hour was that hearts are hungry for God. The fields are ready for harvest. The sowing is being done, even with tears, and we dare not seek pleasures and spend life aimlessly while longing souls are crying for God. Psalm 63 was sung and the Convention united in the Lord's prayer.

The minutes were read and as corrected, approved.

Mrs. Francis Hall, after offering a brief prayer, presented a resume of the inter-denominational Foreign Mission study book for 1927-28 including methods of teaching it. She stated briefly the heading and contents of each chapter and related these chapters to the work in our foreign mission fields. "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow" is a challenge to our women to right wrongs in all lands; lest there may be self-congratulation over what has been accomplished, it condemns "smug" satisfaction. Mrs. Hall recommends the book, "Awakening Women" as a good supplemental book to read and says that it is claimed that the power of woman is able to change the conditions of women in one generation. She listed among destructive forces, *irreligion* as the greatest and said that nothing can offset this but personal contact with Jesus Christ. Her method of preparing to teach the "Straight Way Toward Tomorrow" is as follows: Begin at once; read the book; confer with some friend about it; bring leaders in a society together and pray over the year's program; secure a good library of reference pamphlets and leaflets from various organizations; give program to God; pray, "Lord, light my candle and clear all the rubbish away." Ask at the beginning of each chapter, "How does this help me?" Memorize the motto at the head of each chapter. Make a picture gallery of our "bridge builders." Use letters in our missionary magazines. Dramatize the chapters. Let the first chapter be worked out so as to present constructive and destructive forces. In the second chapter, dramatize a Christian home, and let visitors enter from other lands to tell what kind of homes they have. The third chapter can be worked out under the caption, "Starved Brains." Each woman may read one book and tell about it in the

meeting. The fourth chapter can be worked out under the title of the Compass, "if religious education leads to a living, Christ centered, growing, evangelizing Church *it is a compass.*" It would be a change to ask our foreign neighbors to put on a program for chapter five. This chapter being devoted to social progress offers an opportunity for us to learn a great deal from our foreigners. The sixth chapter may be devoted to current events in world friendship, and each woman may bring an item; a poster review would make a splendid finish for the study. Mrs. Hall had prepared posters, simply made, to illustrate their value for this purpose. A brief prayer closed this profitable hour.

The delegates enjoyed greatly two song by the Pittsburg Juniors: "God is Love," and "The Lord is my Shepherd." After one verse of the Convention song the routine of reports was resumed.

Miss Elizabeth Milligan, Secretary of the Literature Department, reported 7,417 Prayer Cycles distributed during the past year. Miscellaneous supplies have been sold and these added to the Prayer Cycles amount to $3,967.32½. Disbursements reached the sum of $3,108.18, leaving a balance of $859.14½. The new Senior Mission Study text (foreign) is the first to be translated into foreign languages. Special attention was called to "Facts and Figures of Women's Work." (10c.) After reading the Auditor's statement, this report was accepted.

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The report of the Temperance and Reform Department was given by Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer. She urged upon the women the use of the ballot and declared that unless women are alert to the dangers confronting our Nation, we will meet with great disaster. We are meeting attacks on the 18th Amendment. Mormonism is a growing menace. There is organized opposition against Sabbath observance and it behooves every woman to be informed and to fight for the preservation of our standards. This report was enthusiastically adopted.

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The Thank-Offering report was presented by Mrs. O. H. Milligan and received with much enthusiasm.

Reports were received from 1738 societies. Forty-one failed to report.

Forty-one Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll for having had a Thank-Offering and reporting same on time from all auxilliary societies.

Forty-four Presbyterials increased their offerings over last year. 909 societies increased the amount of their offering of the previous year.

Sixty-three Women's and Young Women's societies doubled their offering of 1925.

On the Honor Roll for having averaged one dollar or more per member are 180 Junior societies.

Fifty-nine societies gave a Thank-Offering for the first time.

Egypt's Thank-Offering is $3837.-60.

India's Thank-Offering is Rs. 2753-3-6.

251,444 pieces of literature were distributed during the year.

Life Directorships 12.

Senior Life Members 741.

Junior Life Members 584.

The Total Thank-Offering for 1927, exclusive of Egypt and India is $170,161.09. To this must be added accrued interest, making the total Thank-Offering approximately $173,-069.09, the largest Thank-Offering ever given. Adopted.

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Miss Ida B. Little reported on the Young Women's Department. She has been encouraged by the addition of 34 new societies during the past year. There are now 10,928 young women in 478 societies. Egypt reports 7 societies with a membership of 674. India has two societies with a membership of 95. The offerings for the year amount to $75,601.17. Belated reports would have added $1,130.00 to this total. Egypt has contributed a Thank-Offering of $441.30.

Our working motto for the year is "We will pass." The 25th Anniversary of the organization of the department will be celebrated in 1928. Adopted.

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Mrs. W. R. McMunn, Secretary of the Junior Department, read her report. There are 502 Junior societies with a membership of 14,429. Little Light Bearers societies number 64 with a membership of 1,199. Monmouth Presbyterial won the silver cup for the highest per cent gained in membership over the report of last year. The pink pennant was awarded to Colorado because that Presbyterial has a Junior organization in every congregation. This report was accepted.

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The time having come for adjournment, it was thought best to defer the conferences until a later time in the program. The session stood adjourned until 1:30.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 27

The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. Wallace J. Downs of India and Miss Rose McCullough of India. Psalms 100 and 96 were sung. The Scripture lesson was read from Revelation 3 and prayer offered by Mrs. Downs. Mrs. Downs of Gordon College, India, read the story of Martha and Mary in the home, as a true picture of the Indian home. She gave a group of stories on the value of the Christian home in India and said it was an important factor in influencing the lives of young men who were attending College.

Mrs. J. H. Hutchman introduced the President of the Kansas State Teachers College, who addressed the delegates on the topic, "Preservation of American Ideals." He said in part that social and political problems find their solution only in accepting the ideals of Jesus. Our education must conserve Christian ideals if America is to win and hold the leadership of the world. Education and Christianity are co-existent in our country. Harvard, William and Mary, Yale and Princeton all founded their institutions in education coupled with religion. For the conservation of American ideals that should obtain in American life it is imperative that our schools teach religion and require every student to take a sufficient number of courses in religious subjects to prepare him for the best service when he returns home. It ought to be impossible for any graduate to receive a degree

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without having taken a reasonable number of courses based upon the principles of Jesus. These young people should be returned to their churches to exercise abilities which have been *increased* by college or university experience, and not lessened. The question of the day relates to the development of a few intellectuals or the development of the mass. The responsibility of deciding this question is grave. Dr. Bradenburg finds no place in the example of Jesus where anyone was discriminated against, but all were treated alike,—those with much or little intellectual potentiality. This is Christian education. The keys of opportunity and of economic independence should be granted to every station and all at state expense. American ideals are historically Christian and democratic. The work of science (the subduing of nature) is not to be confounded with the work of Christianity which is to *tame man.* The speaker believes that the Holy Scriptures will be worth more than any other or all other books to the student who would be truly educated; for education without character is of no value to society and character cannot be implanted unless drawn from the Bible. Our American ideals can be conserved only by the right kind of education and that is Christian education. It is the man of faith who builds, not the man of doubts.

A rising vote of thanks was given Dr. Bradenburg for his splendid address.

Seven mothers of missionaries were invited to the platform and introduced to the delegates. They were Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Crowe, Mrs. Fergus, Mrs. Artman, Mrs. Work and Mrs. Wengert.

Brief messages from the missionaries were listened to with great interest. Mrs. Osborne Crowe of India said there is no royal road to achievement in missionary work. Accomplishment is the result of earnest, conscientious work in daily duty. Mrs. A. J. Jongewaard spoke briefly of Taxila hospital in India. She has found that hospitality extended to patients who came to the hospital has been an opportunity for exerting influence over them. The hospital staff and missionaries find a welcome in her home—casual tourists, and globe trotters are cared for. Sick missionaries are always welcomed.

Mrs. F. Scott Thompson of Assiut College in Egypt quotes from John Mott to the effect that this college is the greatest evangelizing force for boys in the world.

Mrs. Ried F. Shields, Abyssinia, described sights when a missionary goes on a trip. She has seen the native women grinding at the side of the road or working in the fields, looking very sorrowful as her free sister went by. The women of Abyssinia are practically untouched and many are cripples for lack of medical help.

Miss Luella Denny of Sudan said that the Sudanese are like sheep without a shepherd. The doors are wide open; in the words of Dr. Zwemer, "even off the hinges." Every life blossoms when the Christ is taken to it. Miss Denny gave illustrations of the attitude toward prayer on the part of three natives. One said, "do not pray for me as a Mohammedan woman, I am afraid of Christian prayers." A sick native

asked for a prayer that pain may be lessened. The third said, "I need all the prayer I can get."

Miss Isabelle Hosack, R. N. of Egypt, told the story of a little baby that was restored to health and whose mother co-operated with the nurse splendidly. She says that child welfare work is coming to the front and contrary to the expectation of some, the mothers are flocking to the welfare centers to enjoy Bible stories and to learn how to care for their babies.

Miss Edna Sheriff told the Convention that Christians in churches that belong to the Synod of the Nile are under the protection of the American Consulate. This is because the Synod of the Nile is an organized part of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States. Native Christians in these churches enjoy the protection of the Stars and Stripes.

Miss Georgia Wengert, India, says that the missionaries go out to educate, to give medical help and to try to surround the natives with safeguards. She illustrated the need for safeguarding the natives physically and spiritually by a touching story of the losing of a little baby while the family crossed a swollen stream. She asked for prayers for the babies and their mothers that there may be no loss of body or soul that can be prevented.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell announced to the Convention that Mrs. Wallace Baird had gone to the Mayo hospital in Rochester, Minn., for an operation tomorrow morning. The meeting at once gave itself to prayer for the success of the operation that Mrs. Baird may be restored to her health for the sake of her children and the work that she represents.

Mrs. Samuel resumed the hour of Meditation and Inspiration. After singing Psalm 22 and offering prayer, she told the story of a rich Hindu family that was non-Christian. The Bible woman had tried unsuccessfully to gain a response to a Bible message, but was repulsed. A Christian family next door lost their little baby. The Hindu family was sympathetic and watched the Christian burial with great interest. They invited Mrs. Samuel to come and tell them about Christian burial, for they too had lost a little baby, but had no hope of ever seeing him again. They listened with anxious interest, but would not accept Christian help. A very warm friendship sprang up between Mrs. Samuel and the family and eventually they exchanged views about God. Subsequent visits have led Mrs. Samuel to hope that they may become followers of Jesus Christ. Reverend W. G. Wilson offered the closing prayer, after which the session adjourned until 8:00 o'clock.

MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 27
HOME MISSIONS NIGHT
Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson presiding

The evening session was favored by the presence of the State College Trio, which played two selections in the course of the program. The devotional service was led by Miss Elizabeth McMillan of Colorado. After singing the 22nd Psalm, the leader offered prayer and read the evening lesson from John 15. Miss McMillan spoke earnestly of the fruit

bearing Christian and said that there are three conditions necessary: cleansing, abiding, obedience. There are also three degrees of fruitfulness: Fruit, more fruit, and much fruit. She made it very clear that the great condition of fruitfulness is found in the words of Christ "if ye abide *in* me, your joy shall be full and ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be given unto you."

Reverend Howard M. Brittain of Ezel, Kentucky, addressed the delegates on "Shepherds of the Hills." He said that the Women's General Missionary Society had carried out the commission given by the Great Shepherd to Peter by the Sea of Galilee when He told him, "feed my sheep." After the women of the United Presbyterian Church had sent the message to the foreign fields, the Southland and the Indians, there was still the call to seek sheep that had been neglected. A people who were of our own blood, descended from the Covenanters of Scotland and the Huguenots of France.

Mr. Brittain described the approach to our mission in Kentucky over roads going back and back into the hills. Frenchburg is first with its evidences of mission progress—a church, a school, a teacher's home, a hospital. Still farther back Ezel appears with its church on the hilltop visible for miles around. A history of the missions from the coming of the first shepherd to the present time was briefly reviewed. The development of the work in Ezel reads like a romance. While Frenchburg has 17 years of development to its credit, Ezel is the result of but three years of a Shepherd's care. Every member of the church is a member in the Sabbath School. The religious activities of the missions are extended to all departments of the denomination. Other activities are those of weaving linen and rugs, as well as making handkerchiefs. Missionary classes are studying mission study text books. There are 140 students in the school. The outlook for the development of this work is bright.

Reverend W. G. Wilson, pastor of the Mission at Camden, Alabama and President of our school at that point, addressed the Convention on the work among the Freedmen. He said that the presence of the colored people involves us in racial difficulties and economic problems. A brief review of slavery days and the sudden freedom that dazed the colored man led to the inevitable response from the church. The United Presbyterian Church was among the first to hold out a helping hand to the colored man.

Illiteracy has been reduced phenomenally; progress has been certain—the colored people standing up under every test made. It must be clearly understood that white America cannot rise to heights unless black America rises correspondingly. It would seem that God has made provision for the American Negro, for throughout the history of this country he has been the cause of war, of governmental concern, and has exerted very definite influence upon industry, music, etc. The great need of schools in Wilcox County from which Reverend Wilson comes, is shown by statistics. Public money is not sufficient to reach around the

thousands of children who should be in school. The United Presbyterian Church is the greatest agency in the field with its schools. A testimonial from one of the leading public men of Wilcox County was read and was most encouraging in its commendation of the work being done, of the conduct of the boys in our boys school, and the outlook for good citizens.

Reverend W. A. Matthews, Missionary to the American Indians in Simnasho, Oregon, was the next speaker. He said that the American Indian certainly created a problem. He reviewed the treatment of the American Indian from the early history of the continent. Treaties were the method employed in dealing with the Indian for the first ninety years. In 1871 it was planned that the Indians should be placed on three large reservations by the Government. The intelligent tribes refused to conform to this arrangement and wars were the result, among these the Modok war being a conspicuous example. The Government modified its plans and these three reservations were multiplied and the Government assumed a trust relation to the Indians, providing for all their needs. This relation was to cease after a few years. Owing to the profit accruing to the officials of the Government, this trust relation did not cease, but was extended indefinitely. This dependence of the Indians upon the Government has brought about degeneracy, pauperism and shiftlessness. Neglect of proper supervision on the part of the Government is, in Mr. Matthew's opinion, the source of the present conditions among the Indians. Some of them who have been educated and Christianized are doing well. Some homes are kept up properly. Some Indians are living clean, upright lives and enduring persecution on this account year after year. The Indians can be made self-reliant only by removing the Indian Bureau thus compelling them to work for their own support. If they do not work, they should be allowed to suffer.

After singing the last verse of the Convention song the benediction was pronounced by Reverend W. G. Wilson. The meeting was adjourned until 8.30 o'clock Tuesday morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 28

As scheduled at the close of Monday's session, Conferences were held by the following secretaries at 8:30: Literature, Temperance and Reform, Thank-Offering, Young Women and Junior.

At 9:00 o'clock, Mrs. Harry S. Hutchison of Egypt conducted morning worship. Psalm 71 was sung, followed by prayer and the reading of the story of the woman who had suffered many things of physicians. Her condition is a true picture of the oriental woman who is the subject of superstitious and ignorant treatment by the doctors, and who suffers many things. The medical missionary meets this situation in a very definite way.

Miss Anna Criswell led the Convention in prayer for Mrs. Baird as she undergoes an operation in Rochester, Minnesota, this morning.

The service closed by singing:

Not haughty is my heart
Not lofty is my pride
I do not seek to know the things
God's wisdom hath denied.

With child-like trust, O Lord!
In Thee, I calmly rest
Contented as a little child
Upon its Mother's breast.

Ye people of the Lord
In Him alone confide
From this time forth and evermore
His wisdom be your guide.

The Annuity Report was presented by Mrs. H. C. Campbell. On April 15, 1926, there were bonds outstanding to the sum of $165,716.11. Bonds issued during the past year, $20,362. 13. Bonds that have lapsed during the year, $3,212.13.

Mrs. C. C. Thompson of Washington, Pa. has asked the Treasurer to apply both her annuity and interest to work for women and children in Sudan and Abyssinia *now*, instead of waiting until she passes away.

Mrs. Campbell also reported fully on the bequests that have been made to the Board and recommended life insurance in favor of the Board as a safe means of leaving money to missions. Both of these reports were adopted.

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The report of the delegate from the Women's Association, Miss Annette Little, was read and adopted.

The Association encompasses the Orphan's Home, the "first love" of the women of our church—now in its forty-ninth year; Columbia Hospital, now of age and successor to Memorial Hospital; and the Home for the Aged, which is thirty-five years old.

The Association is supported by funds derived from membership fees, voluntary gifts from friends and missionary societies, bequests and trust funds and the receipts from the annual lawn fete.

The receipts for the *special* gifts for the year were: $23,413.87.

Eighty-two children have been cared for in the Orphan's Home the past year; twenty-two dismissed, one legally adopted and one taken by death.

Columbia Hospital has treated 743 free patients, at an average per month of $2,200.00.

Twenty-two missionaries and members of United Presbyterian ministers families have been guests

Nearly 2000 free visits were made the past year in The Out Patient Department.

The Home for the Aged family now numbers eighty-five—the average age seventy-eight years—the oldest ninety-three. Nine of the family were called to the Home above and an equal number admitted to fill the vacancies created.

Through the Women's Association, the orphan has been protected, the sick ministered unto and the aged comforted—all because He has been faithful.

The celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Women's Missionary Magazine, took the form of a pageant written for this occasion by the editor, Mrs. John P. White. It was arranged in four parts, each part representing one decade.

The first part contained arguments for and against publishing a magazine and represented the sentiment in 1887. The Women's General Mis-

sionary Society contemplated the venture and was supported by the *Spirit of Progress* and opposed by the *Spirit of Conservatism.* The characters were taken by members of the local missionary society and the arguments were very spirited for and against the publication of a missionary magazine. A copy of the first issue was exhibited and the names of the Editors of the first ten years appeared on posters.

The second part, portraying events from 1897 to 1907, showed an advanced movement to extend the study of missions beyond our own field. Arguments between *Progress* and *Conservatism* were delivered by the speakers and *Conservatism* was again defeated. A copy of the magazine of this period was shown, together with the names of the Editors.

In 1907, further enlargement was made, delighting *Progress,* and calling forth opposition from *Conservatism.* The enlargement from 32 to 64 pages was made, however, and the subscription price increased from 60c to $1.00. As the poster-bearers with names of the Magazine Committee for that period came in, the enlarged magazine of 64 pages was shown.

The fourth epoch 1917-27 was setting the goal—"A Magazine in Every Home." *Conservatism* argued that this was impossible, but *Progress* replied that a few societies had attempted this and succeeded, therefore every society should strive to reach this goal.

W. G. M. S. then bade the *Spirit of Progress* enter every society and show the women how essential *The Womens Missionary Magazine* is to their work and to the extension of Christ's Kingdom.

In addition to the celebration by this pageant, a huge birthday cake carrying forty lighted candles and decorated in the colors of the Magazine was placed at the rear of the pulpit. A second cake in three tiers, handsomely decorated, was also presented. These cakes were the gift of Pomeroy and Graham Bakery of Pittsburg and were accepted by the Convention with much enthusiasm and a rising vote of thanks to the generous givers. They were served at the lunch hour.

The magazine shower was then collected and 174 new subscriptions added to the list.

The Women's Association of the West was given the courtesy of reporting the progress of their work in California. The report was read by Mrs. W. T. Bigger.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by the Chairman, Miss Elizabeth McMillan of Colorado. With the addition of suggestions made from the floor, the resolutions were adopted as a whole.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, by the loving care of our Heavenly Father we have been brought together in this beautiful city of Pittsburg for our forty-fourth Annual Convention of W. G. M. S., be it resolved:

First, that we thank and praise Almighty God for his protection and blessings upon us, as we journeyed from the East, the West, the North, the South. We thank Him for the growth and expansion of our work in

all its departments during these years.

Second, that we praise and thank Him for the consecrated service and leadership of the Women's Board and for answered prayer and guidance during the forty-one years of their organization.

We rejoice in the goodness of God in sparing through these many years of service our beloved Mrs. H. C. Campbell who is an inspiration to all at every Convention and who is the only remaining charter member of this organization.

Third, we thank Him for the presence of so many of our beloved missionaries, deeply thankful this year that we have a representative from every Home and Foreign Field. Their courage, sacrifice, and devotion to the cause of Christ are constant inspiration to all of us. We feel this year we have more to praise God for than ever for Mrs. Samuel, our worker from India whose very presence in our midst radiates the love of her Lord.

Fourth, we are truly grateful for the privilege of gathering around the Lord's table with representatives from every Presbyterial in the W. G. M. S. with one exception.

Fifth, we continue to urge more prayer for a deeper interest in the 18th Amendment; also more careful observation of the Sabbath and more diligent study of the Bible especially by our young people.

Sixth, we wish to express our true appreciation of the faithful and efficient services of the officers of this Convention. Also of the untiring efforts of our Magazine Committee.

Seventh, we extend our thanks to Kansas City Presbyterial, the Church of Pittsburg and to all friends who so graciously opened their doors to us. We especially thank the local committee who so wonderfully prepared our comfort and entertainment, and the women, young people, juniors and singers. We wish to thank Dr. Bradenburg for his splendid and timely address, his gracious invitation to visit the Kansas State Teachers College of which he is President, and for the entertainment at the College.

Eighth, we do appreciate the large and varied exhibit of the Juniors of the W. G. M. S. and extend our thanks to the committee who so carefully arranged and handled the display.

Ninth, that deeply realizing the broken ranks of the workers of the W. G. M. S. as we adjourn, let us pray for increased membership, more consecrated lives and for a deeper spirit of prayer, remembering our Motto, "One God and Father of All, who is over all, and through all, and in all. Eph. 4:6.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH MCMILLAN,
Chairman
MRS. WM. NICHOLL
MRS. LAURA GAST
MRS. J. H. JOHNSTON

The report on Recommendations was called for and made as follows:

With your permission the Committee on Recommendations submits the following:

We recommend:

1. That each delegate return to her Presbyterial with a determination to work with a stronger effort

and greater zeal for the completion of the "Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund" this coming year. "If a task is once begun, Never leave it till it's done."

2. That since the tremendous need for doctors in our foreign fields has been so strongly presented we make a diligent search among our young people for those fitted for such service, and make constant prayer that God may touch their hearts and lead them to respond to this Macedonian call.

3. That we pray for a greater number of consecrated mothers who shall raise up daughters who shall be as fully equipped as possible, mentally, physically and spiritually, to become missionaries, so that the W. G. M. S. may never have the same experience as this year—of sending out only *one* new missionary.

4. That every woman use her voting liberty and that the Temperance and Reform Secretaries of the missionary societies work for this end. We can have Christian law-enforcing men in office if Christian women are faithful in casting their vote.

5. That we accept the challenge, of Mrs. J. P. White, the Editor of *The Womens Missionary Magazine* to work for 20,000 Magazine subscriptions this year.

6. That seeing the splendid example given us by the Women's Board, in the preparation of their annual reports, in the minutest detail, we ask every society to co-operate by sending its complete reports to them *on time.*

7. That more time be given the delegates between some of the sessions for the selection of literature and inspection of the exhibits.

MRS. C. C. MCNARY
Chairman
MRS. GEORGE MAHARRY
MRS. JANE GERKIN
MRS. FRED W. WARREN

The order of the day was called for and further business was deferred until 1:00 o'clock P. M.

Psalm 19 was sung and Mrs. Samuel took up again the subject of Meditation and Inspiration. She read from John 4 and gave her reflections on the thought of Jesus who *must* needs pass through Samaria; tired and weary, yet He must meet a woman at the well and tell her about the water of life. Mrs. Samuel told about a family who came to the missionaries in great poverty. The husband was a Christian, the wife was not. They were given a little work—enough to keep soul and body together. Their little baby died for lack of proper care. The wife was taught to read, and especial attention was given to the teachings on sin and its forgiveness. Every Thursday was set aside by the Bible woman for visiting her. On one such day, the husband met the Bible woman when she arrived and told her that his wife had been very unhappy all week. She had been convicted of sin and finally confessed to him that her mother had tried to poison him because he was a Christian. He did not succumb to the poison. His wife was so moved that when she had been forgiven by her husband, she professed conversion and asked for baptism. Persecution by her family followed and she was finally made stone

blind by some poison thrown into her eyes. She was sent to a school where she was taught the Braille system and now reads her Bible for herself. Both husband and wife are living in their own village and are doing a noble service by having a Christian home and trying to influence their neighbors. Mrs. Samuel asked the Convention to engage in prayer for these dear people and for all those who are working in their native homes that they may be strengthened and blessed in their service. The audience united in the Lord's prayer and session was adjourned until 1:0' o'clock p. m.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 28

The devotional service was led by Miss Vida Graham of India and Mrs. Paul Miller of India. Psalm 16 was sung and a prayer offered by Miss Graham, after which Ephesians 1 was read because it seemed to the reader almost as a summary of the subjects that we had talked about in this meeting.

Other verses from Paul were read: "I count not myself to have apprehended, but I stretch forward." This is the forward effort that should be the aim of the W. G. M. S. Mrs. Miller offered prayer. She then spoke feelingly as the wife of an Evangelistic worker, of the privilege of having native Christians in the villages come to their tent. The children of the Missionary form a bond with native mothers and make it easier to teach the love of a Heavenly Father. The speaker rejoices in the adequacy of the Bible to meet all needs in the work. Verses were quoted to show this, "the word of God is quick and powerful." "Receive the word which is able to save your souls." She told the following interesting story. A Mohammedan woman and a Christian came together to see her. The Mohammedan asked for a Bible story, but was so familiar with the Gospel stories that the Missionary asked where she had learned them; she replied that a missionary had been going to the village for a long time and had tried to win their attention, but they had not been responsive. After the Bible woman had left, each time, however the villagers being secretly anxious to know Bible stories, had sent boys to the next village where they bought Bible portions from the very same missionary and brought them home again. Then the villagers read the stories until, entirely unkown to the Bible woman who had visited them so frequently, they had become very familiar with the Gospel truth. This had continued for a long time and led to the conversion of the Mohammedan woman and her family. The speaker said that it taught them that if the seed were sown the harvest is sure.

By a vote of the Convention, the business of the morning program was resumed at this time. The report of the Credential Committee was presented and adopted as follows:

Officers present	4
Members of Board of Directors	14
Presbyterial delegates	91
Foreign missionaries	29
Home missionaries	5
Magazine Committee	2
Women's Association (Pittsburgh)	1
Life Directors (not enrolled above)	1

Life Members (not enrolled above) 23

Total voting members 170

Respectfully sumbitted,
Credentials Committee
MRS. HAROLD E. LOBAUGH
Chairman
MRS. J. M. LASHLEY
MISS ANNA M. CRAWFORD

The roll was called in accordance with this report.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given and the report of their committee accepted.

The following officers were elected for the coming year.

President, Mrs. R. Francis Hall—Des Moines.

1st Vice President, Mrs. Leslie Mountford—Mercer.

2nd Vice President, Mrs. J. M. Lashley—Illinois Southern.

Secretary, Lillian M. Robertson—Spokane.

Board of Directors:
Mrs. H. C. Campbell
Mrs. W. S. Cook
Miss Ida B. Little
Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
Mrs. R. E. English

Magazine Committee:
Mrs. J. P. White
Mrs. Fannie Moore

The newly elected officers were introduced to the Convention.

The place committee reported that no invitations for the next Convention have been received. This report was submitted by the Committee.

MRS. GEORGE W. PATTERSON
Chairman
MRS. PAUL STEWART
MISS M. MCPHERSON

The report was accepted.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell presented the following statement to the delegates and moved its adoption by this body. It was so adopted.

Among other items reported to the General Assembly, was a unanimous action of the Women's Board which read as follows: All institutions supported by the W. G. M. S. at home and abroad are expected to use in the ordinance of praise the version of the Bible Psalms *only* as found in our present Psalter and Bible Songs. For the stake of consistency and a faithful observance of the vows we took when we became members of the United Presbyterian Church we entreat and advise *all* our auxiliaries to confine their songs of praise to those contained in the above named books.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL

Messages from our Home Missionaries were listened to with interest. Miss Elizabeth McMillan believes that this, the greatest country in the world offers wonderful opportunities for evangelizing the foreigner. She has had various experiences with foreigners in her work and has found them very responsive to kindness. The children of foreigners are helpful in winning their parents, often succeeding in getting them to church when the minister fails. Miss McMillan considers the needs of the home field very great and thinks that our church members need to pray more and live better.

Miss Mable Jones, who has been for two years in Ezel, says that daily lessons are given to the little children in school through the use of Bible Stories.

Reverend Howard Brittain of Ezel described some of the peculiar cus

toms of the people arising from a emotional nature which finds expression in weeping and wailing at funerals. He has tried to discourage this.

After the new school at Ezel was built, there was some fear that interest might slacken. On the contrary the Spirit seemed to move upon the community and cottage prayer meetings were held with an awakening that added members to the church; 14 were baptized. Much prayer is being offered for individual cases. One young girl hopes to go as a foreign missionary when she is prepared.

In summer when the teachers are away, the native members of the church teach nearly all of the classes in Sabbath School. The superintendent of the Sabbath School and Clerk of the Session were sent to the General Assembly. They reported to their Home congregation in a most interesting manner and there is every reason to feel that leaders are being developed among our Mountain People.

Reverend W. A. Matthews told the following story: A little Indian girl was sent away to school at Chemawa, Oregon for a year. She returned in the spring much improved, to find that her tribe had arranged for her marriage to a young Indian. To avoid the marriage, she and her mother slipped away for the summer to gather huckleberries. In the fall she returned again to Chemawa and stayed for two years. Then she returned to the reservation to be confronted with another match ready-made. She went secretly to visit a relative in Pendleton, Oregon, where she became an earnest Christian, capable of controlling her own destiny in the matter of marriage.

Mrs. C. W. Cansler of Knoxville, greeted the Convention and expressed her thorough enjoyment of the meeting "up to this point." She wished the Convention might go to Knoxville in some not-too-distant-day.

Reverend W. G. Wilson related some humorous anecdotes about his brethren and spoke appreciatively of of the Convention motto. He said the colored folks were well acquainted with the verse, "servants, be obedient to your masters in the flesh," but they had never been taught that there is "one God and Father of all." He gave instances of young men who had been prepared for filling positions of various kinds. He read an original poem on evolution, which created much amusement and applause.

Mrs. John Crawford discussed the Home Study book for 1927-28. She indicated the contents of various chapters and suggested briefly some methods for teaching the text.

Mrs. R. E. English presented the Presbyterial Silver Cup to Frankfort Presbyterial because it had the highest per cent net increase in membership during the past year.

The order of the hour was called for.

Mrs. Harriet E. Lobaugh conducted a Quiet Hour as a final feature of the program for the session. She based her thoughts upon the story of the fishermen who had toiled all night and caught nothing. The convention engaged in audible prayer under her direction; each delegate sitting in

the end of the pew uttered a sentence prayer aloud, then touched her neighbor, who took up the prayer and touched her neighbor on the right, until a wave of petition swept over the auditorium.

The leader compared the work of the W. G. M. S. to the fishermen in that it has not yet accomplished what it longs to do. Peter's boat was to catch fish, and it was useful only when it was out on the deep. Our lives, or boats, are useful only when launched out upon the matchless love of God.

The disciples knew exactly how to fish, but Jesus the carpenter, knew more. Unwise conservatism is the beginning of decay.

The disciples were successful with the same old boat when they followed the word of Jesus to let down the net on the right side of the boat. Our organization will be successful if we leave the shallows and launch out into the deep under the direction of Jesus.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell presented a memorial to be signed by the President and Secretary and forwarded to the General Assembly meeting in St. Louis in 1928. The Convention so ordered. The Memorial follows in full:

I move that the President and Secretary of the Forty-fourth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America be authorized to sign the following memorial and forward the same to the Clerk of the General Assembly.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, the fourth Wednesday of May, 1928:

Fathers and Brethren:

As members of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, grateful to God for the heritage of our fathers as well as for blessings now being bestowed upon us, we respectfully present this our petition.

Our church has had less than seventy-five years of service during which she has been richly blessed and has steadily evinced the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in our midst, thus leading her to be a vital factor in the cause of Christ in the world.

Although one of the smaller denominations we are convinced that God's Kingdom will be advanced most effectively by our church maintaining her own denominational identity; that the devotion and latent powers of our people will be best developed and made effective by a vigorous prosecution of the work for which our Heavenly Father has made our church responsible.

We believe that Christ's prayer "that they all may be one" does not mean organized union with all denominations of His people, but a union of spirit in true love for one another.

In view of the evident blessing of our Lord upon the corporate work of the women of the United Presbyterian Church, enabling them to serve Him faithfully and fruitfully in a unified way and in order to conserve this blessing and thus to con-

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REPORT OF

RECORDING SECRETARY

MISS JENNIE B. WALLACE
Recording Secretary

WITH thanks to our Heavenly Father for His many blessings bestowed upon the Women's General Missionary Society, the Recording Secretary presents a brief sketch of the activities of its Board of Directors during the past year.

In addition to the regular meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month except August, five special meetings have been necessitated by the press of business. The average attendance at the regular meetings was over twelve, out of fifteen members, and at the special, ten. Considering the fact that only six dwell within the city limits and that of the rest several have from one to two or more hours' railroad journey, taking into account also providential interruptions, it must be admitted that the "Board Women" take their responsibilities seriously! Two are at their desks about as regularly as most business men, and a third spends a great deal of time at hers, the others carrying on their work mostly at home.

When any of you are in Pittsburgh —Pennsylvania, of course—drop in at the Rooms. See the different departments and the "Board Room," with its big table and its fifteen heavy oak chairs filling up the entire space around the walls. You will always after that be able to visualize the surroundings amid which your work is carried on. Come, if you can, on a Tuesday in time for the ten o'clock prayer-meeting. You will meet, along with others, perhaps a missionary, almost certainly some of the Board. Best of all, if you come looking for Him, you will meet your Lord, for His presence has been very real and evident at these gatherings.

The Board has again been called upon to mourn the loss of one of its members. After months of increasing weakness, during which she nevertheless finished up her year's work, Mrs. J. D. Brown, statistical and financial secretary, dearly beloved of all, was called to higher service, July 14th, 1926. Several meetings passed before we could bring ourselves to fill the vacant chair, but in time we were led to what we feel was a happy choice in the election of Mrs. J. French Kerr, of Connellsville, Pa.

Two delegates represented the Board at the General Assembly of 1926. Several other members took advantage of the Assembly's meeting near by, in Sharon, Pa., and were present for a few days, listening with great interest and with varying emotions to the discussions on the change in the praise service of the Church.

Representatives attended the Tarkio, Muskingum and New Wilmington conferences. As many as possible were present at the New Wilmington Pre-Conference and, as is always the case, found the contact with new and furloughed missionaries and with members of the Board of Foreign Missions both enjoyable and helpful.

Two members of the Board have served on the General Council of the Church.

Delegates were sent to the interdenominational Home Mission and Foreign Mission conferences.

In co-operation with boards of other Churches, a call was issued for the observance of the January Week of Prayer and for the World's Day of Prayer for Missions March 4th.

A request was received that posters and denominational literature be sent to the Sesqui-Centennial exposition at Philadelphia. In view of the defiant attitude of the management toward the laws of Pennsylvania which it had promised to observe and toward the law of God, it was unanimously decided to decline, and to send a letter of protest against the Sabbath opening—a protest which met the usual fate of such communications.

Thanks are due to the Board of Publication for a generous donation of slightly worn but valuable books to the home mission stations of the Women's Board, a donation which thoughtfully included the crating of of the books and their transportation to their destinations.

Greatly appreciated, also, is the continued courtesy of *The United Presbyterian* in opening its columns to the "Women's Board Notes." Items of news undoubtedly reach through this medium some who might not see them in *The Womens Missionary Magazine.*

The annual reorganization of the Board took place last June, but the death of Mrs. Brown and the election of her successor made several changes necessary. Since then, the organization has been as follows: Mrs. J. D. Sands, president and financial secretary; Mrs. W. R. McMunn and Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, vice-presidents; Mrs. J. B. Hill, treasurer; Miss Jennie B. Wallace, recording secretary, and the following departmental secretaries: Foreign, Mrs. H. C. Campbell; Home, Mrs. W. S. Cook; Freedmen, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson; Indian, Mrs. J. French Kerr; Parsonage and Railroad, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering; Thank-Offering, Mrs. O. H. Milligan; Young Women, Miss Ida B. Little; Junior, Mrs. McMunn; Temperance and Reform, Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer; Statistical, Mrs. R. E. English; Literature, Miss Elizabeth Milligan; Editor and Business Manager of Junior Missionary Magazine, Mrs. Heagen.

The terms of office of the following expire with this meeting: Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. W. S. Cook, Mrs. R. E. English, Miss Ida B. Little, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering.

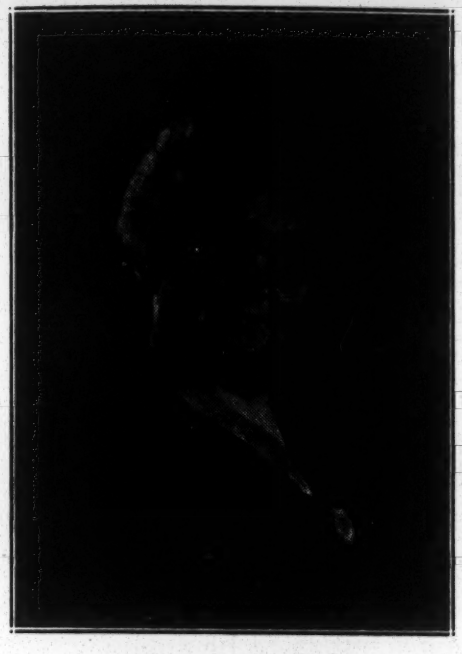
Realizing its own insufficiency, the Board has striven to carry on the work of the Women's General Missionary Society under divine guidance. That this may ever be granted is our prayer. "ye also helping together on our behalf by your supplication." Respectfully submitted.

JENNIE B. WALLACE.
Recording Secretary

REPORT OF

STATISTICAL SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927



MRS. R. E. ENGLISH
Statistical Secretary

IN the report of your statistical secretary you will find wanting that thoughtfulness in mentioning details and those painstaking comparisons made by Mrs. J. D. Brown our faithful and beloved statistician as she presented to you from time to time this department of our work.

"No duty could overtask her
No need her will outrun;
Or ever we could ask her
Her hands the work had done."

The unthinking would have us believe that figures and comparisons are uninteresting. To the uninterested they are uninteresting but not to those who have investments in the business.

The women of the United Presbyterian Church are recognized as generous investors having, as the Macedonians of old, first given themselves and spontaneously there flows time, prayer, talents and gifts into the business of The King.

We make no apologies for figures; we are only sorry there are not more on the credit side of the ledger.

It requires patience and perseverance to gather data that reveals true conditions; these virtues must be practiced by each individual missionary society and continued through until we have the finished product.

Rapid changes are going on in our denomination. Congregations are being disorganized and new unions formed; rural churches are having difficulty holding their members who are tempted by good roads, the inspiration of numbers, good music etc., to attend city churches. All these and other conditions affect all organizations of the church, missionary societies included.

Notwithstanding these difficulties we have reasons to be encouraged for we have gained both in societies and membership.

Garnett and Kansas City Presbyteries have united but only to form a larger and stronger Kansas City Presbyterial.

I wish to thank the secretary of each one of the 57 Presbyterials for her splendid spirit of co-operation and helpfulness.

It has been a real inspiration to note the desire of each one to have the reports returned on time and complete.

The April meetings of Presbyterials and the indifferences of a few

local secretaries were responsible for some delays although forty reports were received on or before the fifteenth which is a good record.

Some reports were received so late that had it not been that your new secretary felt so much her need of leniency and consequently inclined to extend the same, these might not have been included in the report.

These statistics from America from Egypt and India have been collected and now side by side they stand, not cold figures but warm throbbing people—Women, Young Women and Children all bound together in love and devotion to Christ our Lord and to our beloved Church.

Nine new Women's Societies were organized last year; fifteen were disbanded or merged leaving a total of eight hundred thirty-seven with a membership of 25,358, being 301 less than last year.

However there is encouragement in the fact that there is a growing interest in the Extension Department. Thirty-six Presbyterials report 1,049 members an increase of 325 over last year which added to the active membership gives a total of 26,407, nine less than last year.

The Young Women gained nine societies and fifty-six members making 478 societies with a membership of 10,928.

The Juniors have an increase in societies and membership, their total being 502 societies and 12,429 members making the grand total in America 1,817 societies with a membership of 48,715, a gain of 22 societies and 762 members.

This, as usual, does not include all members since a number of societies failed to report.

Our sisters in India and Egypt are doing a splendid work.

From the former we have a slight decrease in Junior Societies and in the amount of Thank-Offering but there is a gain of one Presbyterial and 152 members in the Women's Societies.

There are seventy-nine societies, a gain of four with a membership of 1,904, a gain of 133 and a total offering of $1,316.

A new feature is a report of the names of the Presbyterial presidents which adds much to our feeling of comradeship.

Egypt does not have quite so full a report but is to be commended for her growth and liberality, the women having gained 93 new members, the Young Women 97 and the Juniors 517, a total gain of 707 members which lacks just 55 members of being as many as we gained in Christian America.

Her Societies number 41 with a membership of 3,453 and an offering of $5,559.

She also reports hareem work as follows, 71 workers in 13 cities and districts with 13,354 Prostestant, Coptic, Moslem and Jewish women and children as hearers and learners.

The meetings for regular hearers have an average attendance of 1,792 with 1,818 who are irregular—16,964 of our sisters who make such splendid liberal Christians and only 71 workers reported for the task. Truly we should pray the "Lord of the harvest that he might thrust

forth more laborers into the harvest."

353 societies, 125 more than last year, report on the standard of efficiency of which twelve report 100% and forty-eight, 90% or over. Seven Presbyterials make no report on the standard of efficiency.

The One Hundred Per Cent Efficiency program is not being taken with sufficient seriousness which we find quite prevalent in those Presbyterials where this goal should be easiest to attain.

Owing to the many changes within the organization, no pennant will be awarded this year.

It is still our goal that there be a missionary society in every congregation, this objective will be made a matter of special effort during the coming year.

Congregational and district work make a larger showing this year but we hope it is understood that only societies in Home Mission Churches are expected to report contributions.

Missionary funds should not be used to defray the general expense of the congregation as these are all needed to carry on the definite, outlined work of the Women's Missionary Society.

There have been reported $9042.00 for congregational work and for district work $5024.00 a total of $14,066.00.

There have been 1,853 barrels and boxes of supplies sent to dependent institutions.

Last year for the first time a silver cup was awarded the Presbyterial showing the highest percentage of net increase in membership, this cup was won by Concordia Presbyterial.

This year twenty-eight Presbyterials report an increase in membership, of these Albany, Monmouth, Spokane, Pawnee and Kansas City deserve honorable mention but Frankfort wins the cup.

There are many interesting features entering into the work of which we have not time to note except to mention twenty-one missionary societies in Lake Presbyterial pursuing intensive Bible reading under the direction of a Bible Reading Secretary.

Although interest began in intensive Bible reading at the suggestion of the *Womens Missionary Magazine* it has been supplemented by other plans.

First Erie furnishes a unique example of interest in the person of Mrs. King, 104 years old, reading the Gospels in the Braille type, having learned this system after she had reached her 90th birthday.

We are an organized army in America almost 48,000 strong, endeavoring to carry out our Saviour's last commission "Go ye into all the world and teach all nations" but the world begins in your congregation and mine. We must truthfully and regretfully report that there are approximately two thirds of the women of the United Presbyterian Church who are not identified with our missionary organizations.

In taking invoice of our resources we must make an accounting of every

woman within our influence and every talent in the keeping of every woman; if we do not avail our selves of all these resources we are to that extent retarding progress.

"If Christ the Lord should come today
As erst to Peter by the sea,
And low and tenderly should say
O, my disciple lovest thou me?
To thee and me—
What would our answer be?

GENERAL STATISTICAL STATEMENT

Year Ending April 30, 1927

AMERICA

	1926	1927
Number Presbyteries	58	57
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	58	57
Number of Women's Missionary Societies	843	837
Number Members Womens Missionary Societies	25,659	25,358
Number Young Womens Missionary Societies	459	478
Number Members Young Womens Missionary Societies	10,872	10,928
Number Junior Missionary Societies	493	502
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	12,422	12,429
Total Number Societies	1,795	1,817
Total Number Members	48,953	48,715

INDIA

Number Presbyteries	6	6
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	4	5
Number of Women's Missionary Societies	45	53
Number Members Womens Missionary Societies	973	1,125
Number Young Womens Missionary Societies	1	2
Number Members Young Womens Missionary Societies	65	95
Number Junior Missionary Societies	29	24
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	733	684
Total Number Societies	75	79
Total Number Members	1,771	1,904

EGYPT

Number Presbyteries	5	5
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	4	4
Number of Women's Missionary Societies	34	21
Number Members Womens Missionary Societies	734	827
Number Young Womens Missionary Societies	6	7
Number Members Young Womens Missionary Societies	577	674
Number Junior Missionary Societies	17	13
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	1,436	1,953
Total Number Societies	57	41
Total Number Members	2,737	3,453

GRAND TOTAL

Total Number Presbyteries	69	68
Total Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	66	66
Total Number Societies	1,927	1,937
Total Number Members	53,461	54,072

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. E. ENGLISH
Statistical Secretary

REPORT OF

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 30, 1927

MRS. J. D. SANDS
President and Financial Secretary

SOON after the organization of the Women's General Missionary Society, its Executive Board pledged itself that every penny of its funds should be used for the object specified hence money given for missions could not be used for incidental and carrying expenses. For a number of years each member of the Board met the expenses of her special department out of her own resources and also contributed to the payment of the rent of the Board room.

As the work enlarged and more office room was needed and other expenses increased, it was found necessary to plan some way to have a contingent or expense fund. During these years the Board had been frequently asked to grant loans to needy congregations, mostly to assist in building churches. As there were sometimes small cash balances at the end of the year, it was decided to grant loans of this character at four per cent interest the first year and five per cent there after, using the interest thus derived as a Contingent Fund.

A number of such loans have been carried every year since that time bringing help to congregations which sometimes find it impossible to get money from any other source at such a low rate of interest.

Ten loans were in force this past year and one grateful pastor wrote, "We certainly have appreciated the aid your Board has given us. It made it possible for us to purchase a beautiful property where we can build our Church. This was a life saver for us, and our people appreciate it very much. We only hope the future growth and development of this Church may many times repay to the various boards what they have done for us."

Two loans have been paid in full and one in part and interest has been promptly paid in most cases. One new loan was made to the First Church of Akron, Ohio.

Interest on bank balances, on surplus funds, and Thank-Offering, sale of Thank-Offering supplies, presbyterial contributions, and a donation from the Literature Department have also helped to make up the Contingent Fund of the year as the following statements show.

STATEMENT OF LOAN AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Congregation	Balance May 1, 1926	Payments on Loan	Interest	Balance May 1, 1927
Brockton, Mass.	$ 1425.00		$ 71.25	$ 1425.00
Twelfth, N. S., Pittsburgh	2260.00		141.25	2260.00
Indiana Harbor, Ind.	2100.00		105.00	2100.00
Paterson, New Jersey	6000.00			6000.00
Arkansas City, Kan.	1793.27	$1793.27	114.16	
Highland Park, Boise, Idaho	1500.00			1500.00
Fourth, Akron, Ohio	6500.00	6500.00	688.21	
First, Colorado Springs	1500.00	100.00	135.00	1400.00
McClellan Heights, Davenport. Ia.	850.00		25.50	850.00
First, Akron, Ohio	New Loan			6500.00
*P. C. Banfield	704.68			
Total	$24632.95	$8393.27	$1605.37	$22035.00

*Closed out

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Year Ending April 30, 1927

Balance on hand May 1, 1926 ..... $1627.43

Receipts
By

Contingent Fund from Presbyterials	$1590.98	
Interest from Mrs. J. B. Hill Treasurer	7493.32	
New World Movement	1500.00	
Payments on Loans to Congregations	8393.27	
Interest on Loans to Congregations	1605.37	
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies	310.00	
1925 Convention Offering	100.00	
Refunds on account of Travel	227.81	
Cash from Telephone Calls	8.55	
Literature Department, Salary of Clerk in the Office	500.00	$21729.30
		$23356.73

Disbursements
To

General Treasurer, Payments on Loans to Congregations	$8393.27
Rent of Offices	1248.00
Salaries of Clerks in Offices	4212.50
General Office Expense	670.89
Rent of Safe Deposit Boxes	32.00
Fidelity Bonds for Treasurer and Secretaries	160.00
Travel Expenses of Members of Boards and of Officers of Convention to Monmouth Convention, General Assembly and Conferences	1324.83
Taxes on Plot of Land Received by Bequest	12.64
Auditor	250.00
Junior Special Boxes	65.00
Envelopes & Postage on Life Membership Certificates	45.00
Mailing Tubes	15.36
Monmouth Convention Program Expenses	66.41

Junior Exhibit Expense	34.86	
Loving Cup and Pennant	17.50	
Printing:—		
Prayer Group Letters and Cards	31.00	
Thank-Offering and Leaflets and Pageant	890.03	
Statistical Blanks and Reports	652.08	
July Number of the Missionary Magazine	2366.19	
Treasurer's Annual Report and Cash Book	73.03	
Reports for General Assembly	125.00	
Board Stationery	376.66	$21062.25
Balance on Hand April 30, 1927		$2294.48

We have examined all cancelled checks, vouchers and invoices covering disbursements for the year ending April 30, 1927, and the receipts as shown in the cash book were agreed with the deposits as reflected by the bank statements. The payments during the year of principal and interest on account of loans were traced to the cash book.

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Pittsburgh, Pa., May 6, 1927.

RECEIPTS FROM PRESBYTERIALS

Albany	$ 10.50	Mercer	16.00
Allegheny	125.00	Monmouth	20.00
Argyle	9.40	Monongahela	180.00
Arkansas Valley	25.99	Muskingum	41.00
Beaver Valley	78.00	New York	4.70
Big Spring	9.00	First Ohio	25.60
Boston	15.70	Ohio North Western	18.95
Butler	64.06	Oklahoma	11.00
Caledonia	25.00	Omaha	13.85
Cedar Rapids	17.00	Oregon	14.00
Chartiers	85.20	Pawnee	14.55
Chicago	30.50	Philadelphia	59.40
Cleveland	75.00	Puget Sound	17.00
College Springs	33.10	Rock Island	15.20
Colorado	31.00	San Francisco	11.26
Concordia	4.60	Sidney	1.00
Conemaugh	18.20	Spokane	10.00
Delaware	29.62	Steubenville	39.00
Des Moines	25.00	Tennessee	3.55
Detroit	9.90	Texas	9.50
Frankfort	4.00	Uncompahgre	1.00
Hudson	8.00	Westmoreland	44.00
Idaho	8.00	Wheeling	32.00
Southern Illinois	31.70	Wisconsin	8.00
Indiana	16.00	Xenia	22.60
Northern Indiana	3.50		
Kansas City	31.00	Total	$1590.98
Keokuk	21.00		
Kiskiminetas	25.30		
Lake	37.15		
Los Angeles	31.95		
Mansfield	18.45		

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. D. Sands,

Financial Secretary

REPORT OF

LITERATURE SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 30, 1927

MISS ELIZABETH MILLIGAN
Literature Secretary

THE printed page is one of the great sources of missionary power. Through the distribution and study of mission books, magazines and leaflets, knowledge is increased and needs are made known. As people work for that in which they are interested and are interested only in that of which they have knowledge, let us be faithful in proclaiming His message as widely as possible through the printed page trusting Him that it will result in greater interest, increased zeal, more earnest prayer and more liberal gifts.

PRESBYTERIAL LITERATURE SECRETARIES

Forty-seven presbyterial literature secretaries were reported this year—two more than last year. Thirty-six presbyterial secretaries have used our literature at presbyterial conventions. The presbyterial meeting is the logical place for the secretary of literature to interest the societies in the mission study books, the leaflet literature, the Magazines and the Prayer Cycle. At every presbyterial meetings there should be a literature table for a display of these supplies; for impressions made through the eye-gate prove more lasting than those made through the ear-gate.

MISSION STUDY

Twenty-five years ago the missionary societies of the United Presbyterian Church commended the systematic study of missions as outlined by the "Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions." The first book used was *Via Christi*, "The Way of Christ;" and for twenty-five years United Presbyterian women have more and more given themselves to the purpose of learning about the "Way of Christ" in the dark places of the earth. Because of this knowledge, which we have acquired, of the lives of our sisters in the lands where Christ's way was not known, interest has been awakened and desire has been born that those who have been walking the *Via Dolorosa*,—the "Way of Sorrow"—shall know to walk the *Via Christi*—the "Way of Christ."

In 1902, the first year of systematic mission study, 272 copies of "Via Christi" were sold. This year we have sold 3,074 study books, junior and senior.

One who has carefully studied the question has said that "mission study leads to the desire to share our best with those who have never known our privileges." And so we believe

that these twenty-five years of a more or less systematic study of missions has awakened us to a keener appreciation of the need of the women of the world for Christ and has led us to more earnest prayer and to more liberal giving in their behalf.

In our study the past year of the women and children of Moslem lands we have had the opportunity to learn of the awakened interest of Moslems in the story of salvation through Christ. May this knowledge make us more determined than ever before, to spend and be spent in His service until every Moslem land has been evangelized.

The new foreign study book for adult classes, "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow," is written by Mrs. Platt, the author of a former text book, "The Child in the Midst." It treats of child welfare; Christian homes, books and pictures; religious education; social progress and world-wide friendship from the Christian and religious view-point. It is to be translated into other languages so that our United Study of Missions will include not only America but will begin world-wide United Mission Study.

The other study book for adult classes is "New Paths for Old Purposes." It is written by Miss Margaret E. Burton, author of "Women Workers of the Orient." It emphasizes the essentially missionary character of Christianity and our duty to apply the missionary spirit to the great needs of the present hour.

Miss Applegarth is the author of the new foreign study book for juniors, "Please Stand By." She has written other junior books which are well known and well liked by junior leaders.

There are two junior home study books for this year. "Indian Playmates of Navajo Land" is for children from six to eight years, and "The Upward Climb" is for juniors from nine to fourteen years. They are each the first in a series of three books to be published in the next three years, following the plan of the "Better American" series.

We are showing several very fascinating little story books for children from four to seven years of age. These are not study books, but are delightful volumes to put in the hands of the girls and boys themselves. There are two books in the "Everyland Children Series," written by Mrs. Peabody, six in "The Babies' Series," by Mary Entwistle, and two others by Mary Entwistle, "Boys and Girls and Friendly Beasts," and "On the Road." a book of adventures in India.

Again we would suggest the study of our own denominational study books for juniors and adults before taking up any other study. "The United Presbyterian Church and Its Work in America" has already had a large use, but it will not have fulfilled its purpose until every congregation has studied it; and as youth is the time to instill in the hearts of young people a feeling of interest and pride in the history and achievements of their own Church, every junior should have the opportunity to study "The Uplift" before passing out of the junior society.

LEAFLET LITERATURE

During the year, 21,000 leaflets

were printed. Of these 15,500 were reprints and 12,000 were for free distribution.

Early in the year a set of six leaflets, on the work in Moslem lands, was published. These were published to supplement the study of "Moslem Women;" but as they illustrate the work in our foreign fields they are fine for inspirational literature. We have other leaflets in process of preparation for the next study course and announcement of them will be made in future numbers of the Magazine.

In 1904 Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter prepared a leaflet, "Facts and Figures of Women's Work", in which she recorded the outstanding facts in the progress of the Women's General Missionary Society. This leaflet has been revised and brought up-to-date by Mrs. J. D. Sands and the Editorial Committee. The booklet is of historical value and will fill a long felt need. We also have two new leaflets on our Mountaineer work, "Beginnings at Ezel," and "Medical Work at Frenchburg."

PRAYER CYCLE

We are happy to record continued growth in the use of the Prayer Cycle. 7,417 were distributed during the fiscal year, as over against 6,438 reported last year.

7,000 copies of the 1927 Prayer Cycle were published last December. These have all been distributed and we have published 1000 more to see us through the summer conferences. Will each one here not be willing to help us put these 1000 Prayer Cycles into the hands of those who will use them daily, thus increasing the circle of those who are united in daily prayer for our missionaries and their work?

In our report blanks this year only three societies reported "Every member has one." Let us not rest until every society can report "Every member has a Prayer Cycle."

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL

The following statistics represent the operations of the Literature Department for the year ending April 30, 1926:

STATISTICAL STATEMENT

New Supplies

Our Publications:	
Contribution Envelopes	51,355
Budget Cards	20,000
Leaflets	21,000
Prayer Cycles	8,500
Little Light Bearer's Invitations	500
Other Sources:	
Leaflets	4,568
Maps	227
Books	3,120
Helps for Class Leaders	616
Magazines	25

Supplies Distributed

Senior:	
Mission Study Books	2,506
Helps for Class Leaders	428
Contribution Envelopes	62,975
Budget Cards	7,396
Prayer Cycles	7,417
Maps	227
Leaflets	12,769
Post Cards	129
W. G. M. S. Pins	10
Presidents Books	52
Junior:	
Mission Study Books	578
Helps for Class Leaders	188
Junior Manuals	73
Recitation Books	42
Junior Pins	92
Diplomas	284
Wall Roll	33
Picture Sheets, Posters, etc.	296
Little Light Bearers Supplies	452

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Year Ending April 30, 1927

Balance on hand April 30, 1926		$746.98
Receipts:		
From sales	$3206.95	
Interest on deposits	12,44	
Refunds	1.00	$3220.39
		$3967.32
Disbursements:		
Mission Study Books, Senior	$ 865.18	
Mission Study Books, Junior	172.53	
Helps for Class Leaders, Senior	48.83	
Helps for Class Leaders, Junior	12.36	
Posters, Pictures, etc.	61.21	
Printing	735.89	
Postage	213.34	
Leaflets	220.62	
Convention Expense	29.09	
Office	48.02	
Maps	58.65	
Magazine Subscriptions	16.00	
Magazines to Mission Fields	99.50	
Refunds	26.96	
To Contingent	500.00	3108.18
Balance on hand April 30, 1927		$859.14

We have examined all cancelled checks and invoices covering disbursements for the year ending April 30, 1927 and the receipts as shown above were checked to the cash book and found to be in agreement therewith.

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Pittsburgh, Pa.
May 9, 1927.

A WOMAN'S PRAYER

My Father, I thank thee for health, for strength, for just the environment thou hast given me, for opportunities to enjoy, to love, and to serve. I thank thee for friends and books, for beauty and knowledge.

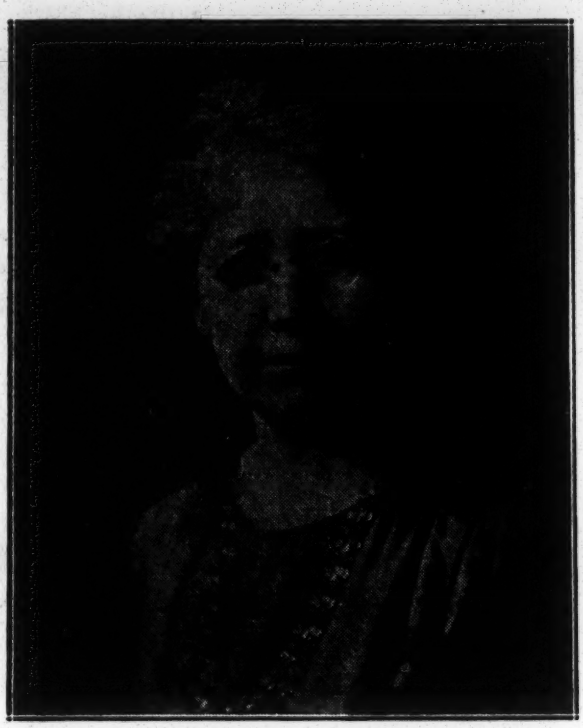
I acknowledge my weakness and impatience, my slow mind, my inability to think clearly. I acknowledge my selfish thoughtlessness, my littleness, my mental laziness, my carelessness about doing good. For Christ's sake forgive these things and help me to do better in the days to come. Take my will and make it thine. Help me to choose high ideals and make me willing to carry them out. Help me to befully alive and able to see the riches of living.

I wish to be a woman of strength and sweetness, one who will inspire others to better living. I would be large enough to pray for all the means by which better, more truly Christian living may be promoted throughout the world.

Give me the spirit of Jesus Christ; then I may go safely to meet my work.—MAY HOPPER in *Womans Home Missions.*

REPORT OF

YOUNG WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT



MISS IDA B. LITTLE
Young Women's Secretary

IT was the time of the laying of the railroad across Great Salt Lake in Utah, that famous short-cut. The task seemed doomed to failure because of sink-holes, but the head engineer, a bold adventurer, knew not the word fail. His slogan was, "We will pass!" In this spirit, "the faith to push on," the work proceeded and in due time the road was completed. Every year thousands enjoy the benefits from this improvement, the victory of the man who *would* succeed. The Young Women's Department has rounded out twenty-four years of service. In this time, great obstacles have been met and many have been overcome. The same spirit that dominated the dauntless engineer has helped thus far to win. May we adopt as our slogan for this new year the three words, "We will pass!," and the twenty-fifth anniversary will show a victory for the Kingdom.

I. ORGANIZATION

Denominationally there has been an increase in the number of members. Presbyterially there is a decrease. Since improved roads have come and automobiles are everywhere, distance is becoming less and less a barrier, so small presbyterials are merging with others. Garnett has thus passed out. In fifty-two presbyterials, there are one or more young women's societies.

Thirty-four new societies were reported during the year. Some of them were formed in time to present a Thank-Offering. It was hoped that this convention might hear announced a roll containing the names of 500 young women's societies. In this you will be disappointed, yet not discouraged since there are 478 societies in America, a net gain of 19. The new slogan should encourage presbyterials to *more* than meet the *hoped for number by 1928*. Twenty three presbyterials reported one or more new societies:—One each, Big Spring, Chartiers, Colorado, Delaware, Kansas City, Southern Illinois, Lake, Los Angeles, Oklahoma, Mansfield, Monmouth and Spokane; two each, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Boston, Cleveland, Des Moines, Monongahela, Ohio North Western, Puget Sound; three each, Allegheny and Butler.

Transfers and mergings have taken place: transfers from the Young Women's Department to the Women's division and mergings of

two young women's societies or a young women's with a women's organization. These we do not count as loss, but as adjustments to further the better interests of the work. Such adjustments are likely promoted because *children will grow.* Little girls *do* become young women. Teen age girls ask for something more mature than the junior society. As on the escalator, everyone is moved up step by step.

Loss comes when a society dies out or becomes too feeble to exert itself. Disorganization is never welcome. Sometimes it is impossible not to disband, as when a congregation yields its charter and ceases to exist. Through one or other of these causes, the roll is fifteen societies poorer. Twenty-eight other societies offered *no* report and some reports came *because of the persistence of your presbyterial secretary of young women!* "This ought not so to be!" Every society should respond promptly without any urging.

(Presbyterials with one or more non-report societies:—Albany, Beaver Valley, Butler, Chicago, Cleveland, Colorado, Concordia, Conemaugh, Kiskiminetas, Ohio First, Oklahoma, Omaha, Oregon, Puget Sound, Rock Island, San Francisco, Tennessee, Xenia).

II. MEMBERSHIP

Did you read the 1926 report of the Young Women's Department? The goal set for this year's membership was 12,000 and the realization was 10,928. The reports gave a total of nearly *two thousand girls and young women eligible* for membership yet still *without the fold.* Do you as a society member make newcomers feel at home? Are you zealous for the cause of missions? Is your society a credit to your church and the W. G. M. S? Does your life as a Christian ring true to Bible principles?

III. ATTENDANCE

The average attendance at monthly meetings is very much *subnormal*—43 per cent. When the reports said that about one-fifth of the membership read the Missionary Magazine, especially the Young Women's Department, the marvel is that the temperature is as high as it is. One must be very much in touch with a work to have a real interest in it and "None are so blind as those who will not see." Secretaries have been quite frank in telling of society difficulties. One large factor has been "lack of interest" or "lack of knowledge" or "conflicting dates" or "selfishness" or "interference by high school activities" or "mud" or "weather" and many more, any one of which is likely to bring on "spiritual anemia" unless it is *mud* or *weather* and even these may become a danger to aspiration and progress. Brush aside excuses. Do so and about *four-fifths of present absenteeism* will disappear.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	1926	1927
Number of Young Women's Societies in		
America	459	478
Egypt	6	7
India	1	2
Membership in		
America	10,872	10,928
Egypt	577	674
India	65	95
Number new societies in		
America	29	34

Egypt	1	1
India	1	1
Societies disbanded or removed from roll	24	15
Societies merged or transferred	4	4
Societies not reporting	20	28
New Senior Life Memberships	190	148
Subscribers to Women's Missionary Magazine	1,894	2,300
Boxes or barrels sent	370	325
Societies reporting on Standard of Efficiency	84	143
Societies reporting a percentage of 100	4	7
Societies reporting a percentage of 90 to 99	15	17
Societies contributing to the seven departments	159	158
Societies contributing to the Young Women's Special Fund	338	354
Societies contributing to the Thank-Offering	400	359
Societies contributing to Presbyterial Expense	289	290
Societies contributing to W. G. M. S: Expense	209	213
Societies contributing to Isa. 41:6	226	233

IV. STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

That many societies are really eager to be vital forces is evidenced by the answers to the questions, "Is your society stronger than one year ago?" 174 answered in the affirmative. Nearly twice as many as last year, or 143, reported on the Standard of Efficiency. Those societies claiming 100% were seven:—First Allegheny, Pa., Mary C. Porter; First Oak Park, Chicago; South Youngstown, Ohio, Y. W.; First Erie, Pa., King's Daughters; Ninth Ave., Monmouth, Illinois, Lois M. Buchanan Circle; Second Spokane, Washington, Bamba Circle and First Denver Y. W.; 98%, Eighth Chicago Q. E. C.; 95%, Coraopolis, Pa., Y. W.; Ingram, Pa., Y. W.; Salem, N. Y., White Church Y. W.; 94%, Red Oak, Iowa, Y. W.; 90%, Franklinville, N. Y., Y. W.; Slippery Rock, Pa., Y. W.; Eighth Chicago, Y. W.; Somonauk, Illinois, Shining Lights; Ingram, Pa., Wilma H. Circle; Oakmont, Pa., Y. W.; Riverside, California, King's Daughters; First Canton, Ohio, Y. W.; Minden, Nebraska; Summerfield, Kansas; Moline, Ill., Carol McMillan Circle and Wilmerding, Pa., Y. W.

Most people can accomplish more and better work when they have a definite goal towards which to strive. A society is but a combination of individuals, hence a standard of excellence is worthwhile as a stimulator.

V. POINT PENNANT

This year every presbyterial was challenged to work for a pennant. Forty of the fifty-two presbyterials returned a partial report. No presbyterial won 100%, hence no banner is being awarded. However, mention shall be made of the four reporting the highest percentage:—Pawnee, 87½%, Chicago, 74%, Des Moines, 68¾% and Wheeling 68⅓%. To refresh your memory, *point one* asks for a circle or Y. W. M. S. in every congregation; *point two* reports in on time; *point three,* Thank-Offering from every society; *point four,* every society contributing to each item in the "seven departments;" *point five,* every society contributing to Y. W. Special; *point six,* presbyterial contributing to Y. W. Special at rate of $1.00 per member, *point seven,* at least ten regular meetings of societies during the year; *point eight,* a Y. W. rally with one or more members of each society present, either at a spe-

cial time or at the annual meeting of presbyterial; *point nine,* a mission study class held weekly for six to eight consecutive weeks; *point ten,* one-half the membership of each society reading the Y. W. Department in Missionary Magazine. *Point nine* has been reblocked to read,—"Each society shall have a mission study class during the year. It shall complete a definite study of a mission book. (It is to be understood that *no class taking the time or the regular program shall receive credit as* "a class.")

VI. MISSION STUDY CLASS

It is encouraging to note 116 study classes this year as opposed to 79 last year and a membership of 1,363 instead of 965. We must surely be on the way to knowledge and better work. With point nine revised, many other societies should qualify. Fifteen of the fifty-two presbyterials reported no class. The popular studies were "Moslem Women," "Our Templed Hills," "Young Islam on Trek" and "The United Presbyterian Church in America." This was as it should be. The new books should be studied when they are fresh and not four or five years later. The Literature Department will keep you informed as to coming books. Read the Magazine regularly.

VII. PRAYER CYCLE

Again is there a gain in the use of the Prayer Cycle, 81 societies this year, 54 last year. Nearly four hundred more Cycles reported this year, or almost 1600. There is great need that we become more earnest in prayer, since prayer is *the plan* which the Lord Commands: "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest." Those who are our substitutes should be borne up in prayer by every missionary society in its monthly meetings.

VIII. EX-MEMBERS NOW MISSIONARIES.

Societies reporting on this point gave 93 names, 19 serving in America, 28 in India, 31 in Egypt, 8 in Abyssinia, 2 in the Sudan, 2 in China, 1 in Central America, 1 in South America and 1 in France. Should a complete list be given the present number would surely be much augmented. 37 volunteers are among the present membership of a number of societies. A young woman, a missionary in a field where she is the only foreign woman worker among two million Moslem women, will welcome these volunteers.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES TO SPUR ON SOCIETIES

	1926	1927
Number of girls or young women not in any society	2,374	1,995
Number mission study classes	79	116
Number members in classes	965	1,363
Number presbyterials reporting classes	33	37
Number societies finding Bible questions helpful		81
Number readers of Young Women's Department	1,913	2,326
Average attendance at monthly meetings	4,702	2,724
Percentage of attendance	43	43
Number of former members now in missionary service	122	93
Number of volunteers among present membership	31	37
Number of presbyterials furnishing above named missionaries	34	30
Number young women having Prayer Cycles	1,200	1,587

Number societies using Prayer Cycles in meetings	54	81
Number of information blanks returned	293	361
Number of pennant blanks returned		276
Presbyterials returning pennant blanks		40
Presbyterial reporting highest per cent, Pawnee		87
Presbyterial in second place—Chicago		74
Presbyterial in third place—Des Moines		68¾
Presbyterial in fourth place—Wheeling		68⅓

IX. YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL

The special fund for the new year will be applied to the same objects as last year. The list is as follows:—Support of Pasrur Girls' Boarding School, India; salaries of Mrs. Walker, Gorei, Abyssinia, Miss Coie, Wadi Halfa, Sudan, Mrs. Adams, Jubilee Hospital, Henderson, N. C., Miss Margaret Beveridge, Frenchburg, Kentucky and Miss Laura Sawhill, Spokane, Washington. Amount required to finance all objects, $8,630.00 Received this year, $8,380.50. More than one hundred societies did not pay toward this object. Only five presbyterials gave the $1.00 per member average: Caledonia, Chicago, Detroit, Texas and Wisconsin. Albany, Idaho, Monmouth and Pawnee were near the goal. If every presbyterial meets points five and six in "Ten Points" for pennant, next year Miss Coie's salary will be paid in full as well as the salary of a worker in Egypt undertaken.

X REGULAR OBJECTS

Somehow enthusiasm wanes when "just the regular work" is being considered. So many want to do something out of *the ordinary!* In that case, *support the seven departments* for *only one-third, minus two, of the societies,* or 158, gave something to every one of the *seven* this past year. As last year, Texas with its one society seeks to be faithful to every part of the work. Omaha, Pawnee and Wisconsin lacked just one society each to be on this honor roll.

In passing, it might be worth noting that *societies paying the presbyterial expense fund are eligible to delegateship* in the general convention. Detroit, Pawnee and Texas come again before us. *All* of their *societies paid their membership dues.*

The seven departments received from societies $12,988.00, nearly $2,500.00 less than last year. Do you not think it quite in place to call attention to the seven departments and their needs?

The amount to foreign salaries was larger than last year, a little more than $2,000.00 of an increase. A very small increase in the home field was realized. The total contributions, exclusive of Thank-Offering, were $37,166.50, in round numbers, $1,000.00 short of last year.

XI. THANK-OFFERING

359 societies reported a Thank-Offering. The total amount was $38,434.67, an increase of more than $550.00 over the previous year. There were 148 Senior Life Memberships and 24 Junior Life Memberships. The grand total of offerings is $75,601.17, a fine showing when you recall the many demands to relieve conditions of distress. It is to be hoped, however, that none of the young women's societies failed in doing its work to which it has pledged its support, in order to answer any outside call.

CONTRIBUTIONS

	1926	1927
Mrs. George Moore Memorial	$ 633.00	$ 262.00
Foreign Missions	6756.00	4410.00
Foreign Salaries	9155.00	11370.00
Home Missions	3593.00	3762.00
Indian Missions	1224.00	1188.00
Freedmen Missions	1772.00	1606.00
Parsonage	731.00	677.00
Ministerial Relief	828.00	862.00
Temperance and Reform	526.00	483.00
Young Women's Special (Treas. Acc't.)	8328.57	8380.50
Junior Special	6.00	5.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	894.00	957.00
W. G. M. S. Expense Fund	399.00	407.00
Isa. 41:6 Fund	432.00	446.00
New World Movement	1888.00	1387.00
Orphans' Home	334.00	262.00
Columbia Hospital	405.00	290.00
Aged People's Home	265.00	245.00
Total	$38169.57	$37166.50
Thank-Offering	37810.94	38434.67
Junior Thank-Offering	60.00	
Grand Total	$76040.51	$75601.17

Not included in above totals we here report contributions:

	1926	1927
By societies in Home Mission congregations for congregational purposes	$1114.00	$ 693.00
District work	927.00	1528.00
	$2041.00	$2221.00

The report from the foreign fields is not included in the above figures.

Egypt reports 7 societies in three presbyterials, with a membership of 674 and offerings, $107.58; Thank-Offering, $441.30, or a total of $548.88.

India reports 2 societies in two presbyterials, with a membership of 95. Offerings were $13.78; Thank-Offering, $3.51, or a total of $17.29. This money was disbursed from the field.

Already attention has been called to the engineer who had the faith to push on. You may still feel overwhelmed with the immensity of the task ahead of you, and *it is great.* But human instrumentality is the channel through which God works. We are expected to perform only that which God has committed to us, but that *part is ours to do.* Some workmen in a Scottish shipyard were trying vainly to push the hull of a newly constructed ship into the water. It stuck fast at the water's edge. A little boy came rushing down the bank and shouted, "I can push! I can push as much as a pound!" His small hands joined those of the men, and —was it his pound?—the next push put the hull in the water. Every member of every society can push at least a pound. Add this push to our slogan, "We will pass!" If the *faith to push on and determination, go hand in hand, the impact will be irresistible. Give a hand!*

Respectfully submitted,

IDA B. LITTLE

"That our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace."--Psalm 144:12.

REPORT OF

WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 1, 1927

MRS. JOHN P. WHITE
Editor

THE WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE will complete forty years of service in August, 1927. The past year has been one of its best years.

Detailed program material for missionary societies has been presented from month to month. Six months of the year the two mission studies *Moslem Women* and *Our Templed Hills* have been reviewed. Since our own church is working in fields where Mohammedanism prevails or predominates it was fitting that our missionaries should write the articles for the study of *Moslem Women*. This they did with great acceptance. The Secretaries have been faithful in presenting the work of their various departments. The missionaries have kept our pages supplied with excellent messages from the fields.

A special effort was made in October to increase subscriptions to *The Womens Missionary Magazine*. A letter was sent to every pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, asking for his co-operation and commendation. Simultaneously a letter was sent to every president of a missionary society. Many new names were added to our list. A similar "Drive" will be made again in October 1927 in an effort to reach a subscription list of 20,000.

Because of the unusual calls for missionary gifts it was deemed best not to stress the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund this year. More than half of the $10,000 is in the treasury. A renewed effort will be made this coming year to complete the fund.

We thank all the friends, who have contributed so generously to our pages. Above all, we thank our Heavenly Father for His manifest guidance and blessing.

MRS. JOHN P. WHITE
Editor

MRS. FANNIE F. MOORE
Treasurer of Womens Missionary Magazine

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For the Year Ending March 31, 1927

Balance March 31, 1926		$3701.24
Receipts		
Magazine Subscriptions year ending March 31, 1927	$12652.06	
Programs Smith Advertising Co.	113.52	
Obituary Notices	64.33	
Advertising	486.81	
Interest from Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund.	253.50	
Interest from Magazine Funds (Mrs. Hill)	255.00	
From Mrs. H. C. Campbell	50.00	
Sundries	4.00	
Total Receipts for year ending March 31, 1927		$13879.22
Disbursements		
Printing and mailing magazines	$10935.60	
Cuts and Engravings	374.33	
Extra Printing and Postage	167.78	
Mission studies	326.93	
Delegate Fund	110.00	
Current Expenses	1569.62	
Total Disbursements		$13484.26
Net gain for year ending March 31, 1927		394.96
Total Balance		$4096.20
Transferred to Reserve Fund		1500.00
Net Balance March 31, 1927		$2596.20

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE F. MOORE
Treasurer

I hereby certify that I have made a careful audit of the books and all accounts of the Treasurer of the Womens Missionary Magazine published at Xenia, Ohio, checking all outgoing and incoming funds, as recorded by the Treasurer, and find them to be correct, and all entries clear and explicit, and I wish to compliment her work.

Xenia Ohio, April 14, 1927.

T. D. KYLE, Accountant

Let every missionary society plan to have a suitable observance of the Fortieth Anniversary of the Womens Missionary Magazine and express appreciation of the Magazine and the late Editor by making an additional contribution to the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund.

REPORT OF

JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927

MRS. JOSEPH M. HEAGEN
Junior Magazine Editor and Business Manager

ANOTHER year has gone. Your Junior Missionary Magazine is now in its 29th year. All these years we have been trying to render a real service to the girls and boys of the church and as we look back we rejoice that God has so wondrously blessed us. During the year just closed we made on an average about 7500 visits to you each month—at this writing 7247 are ready to visit you early in May, with 266 renewals awaiting their call. How we had longed for that number to reach at least 8000!

A cordial welcome greets us in many a home and Junior Society. In some we wait for a long time—almost a month before our "wrap" is removed. What a disappointment, for we try, oh, so hard to reach you in time for the first Sabbath of each month. We are so anxious to have the girls and boys see our twelve fresh, clean pages. And, do you know (oh, we dislike to say it) that about one hundred fifty Junior Societies did not desire us to visit them last year. They didn't tell us why. No answer to our card. We believe that it must have been due to carelessness on the part of Women's Missionary Societies and Junior leaders for we do believe that the girls and boys would have enjoyed our visits.

Nevertheless, we are not going to allow that to discourage us. We are just going to continue improving each month and making our pages so attractive that the next thing you know these folks will just be coaxing us to come and visit them again and not only these but other Women's Missionary Societies and Young Women's Missionary Societies are going to ask us to begin to visit their girls and boys though they have no Junior Society. Oh, those will be happy days when we can call our printer and order many, many more copies.

Getting ready to visit you each month has been a real joy. We greatly appreciate the assistance given by our General Secretary, "Our Far Away Friends," the members of the Women's Board and all others who helped even in a small way. You have added much of interest and value to our pages from month to month. To these and to the John Crawford Park Printing Company who have so faithfully served us, we say—Thank you, may God richly re-

ward you for this service rendered in His name.

During this year we aim to add new features, especially program helps. Any suggestions are cheerfully received and considered. We solicit your most earnest prayers and co-operation for the success of your servant, The Junior Missionary Magazine.

The financial reports for the year are as follows.

April 15, 1926, Balance		$488.65
Receipts		
Subscriptions Apr. 15, 1926 to Apr. 15, 1927	$1023.64	
Group Picture—Junior Society	2.50	
From Gen. Treas. Mrs. J. B. Hill	1800.00	
		$2826.14
		$3314.79
Disbursements		
John C. Park (Printing and Mailing Magazine 12 months)	$2644.00	
John C. Park (Cuts)	367.69	
Supplies	.70	
Reed and Witting (Two Bound volumes 1926)	6.00	
		$3018.39
April 15, 1927, Balance		$296.40

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

"I have audited the foregoing account for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1927 and found it correct."

A. F. SAWHILL,
Auditor

MRS. N. WLYIE STEVENSON FUND

April 15, 1926, Balance		$176.13
Receipts		
March 15, 1927, Interest on Fund	$60.00	
		$236.13
Disbursements		
Apr. 15, 1926 to Apr. 15, 1927 (Special Cuts for Junior Missionary Magazine)		59.18
April 15, 1927 Balance		$176.95

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

Audited and found correct.
April 23, 1927.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor

JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE CIRCULATION BY STATES
April 15, 1927

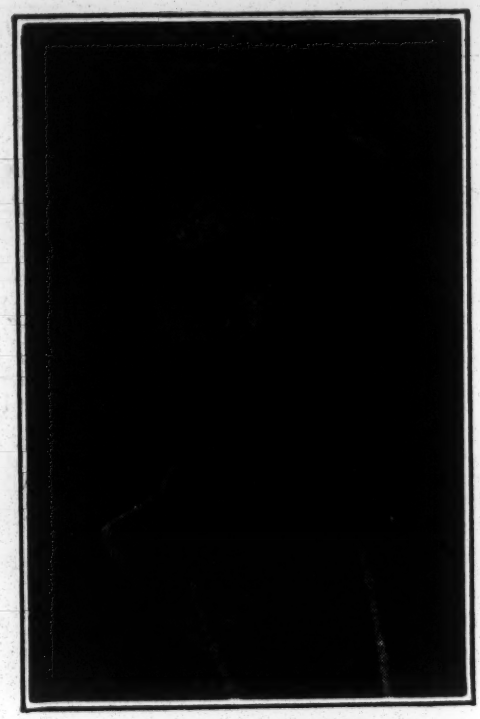
Alabama	121
Arkansas	1
California	246
Colorado	150
Connecticut	30
District of Columbia	25
Florida	1
Idaho	48
Illinois	336
Indiana	111
Iowa	414
Kansas	290
Kentucky	46
Massachusetts	2
Michigan	27
Missouri	39
Nebraska	67
Nevada	1
New Jersey	14
New York	424
North Carolina	91
Ohio	1040
Oklahoma	22
Oregon	32
Pennsylvania	3146
Rhode Island	10
Tennessee	101
Texas	22
Vermont	10
Virginia	76
Washington	118
West Virginia	39
Wisconsin	82
Foreign	70
	7247
Expirations due April 1st	266
	7513

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JOSEPH M. HEAGEN,
Editor and Business Manager

REPORT OF

JUNIOR SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927



MRS. W. R. McMUNN
Junior Secretary

THE task of gathering the children into the Junior Societies and there teaching and training them for future service in the work of the church, continues to be one of our most important opportunities and obligations. So long as the church exists, this will be true. Years ago little attention was paid to children in the churches, excepting to keep them quiet and if possible unseen and unheard. Today the program of every progressive church centers about the child. It is right that this should be. When a child is won to Christ, a whole lifetime of service is given to the Master. The first step in winning the world for Christ is to win our own children for Him today. They must receive missionary education and training for service today, else when tomorrow comes, there will not be those who are willing to support the missionary work of the church with their lives, their prayers, and their money. There are thousands who know not the Christ in India, Egypt, Abyssinia and the Sudan who are looking to us for their first gospel message. There are other thousands in America whose spiritual needs are as great as those of the heathen in mission lands. All of these are to us a great opportunity—an overwhelming responsibility. In our own homes and churches there are thousands of children, full of life and energy, eager to serve, if they are but shown the way. They too are to us a great opportunity and a great responsibility. We have heard the call for help. A call that is continuous, loud and insistent. We have the forces at hand to be trained and sent out to answer that call. We have also the Junior Missionary Society which is the training school for these forces. If we are in earnest about missionary work at home and abroad, must we not be actively interested in the advancement of the Juniors? Many of the best workers in the mission fields today first became interested in missions when members of the Junior Missionary Societies. Others are intelligent, loyal supporters of the missionary work, because as children in the Junior societies they learned of the great needs of the unsaved world, and of their own

obligation to do what they could to meet those needs.

The work of our Junior societies has progressed during the past year much the same as usual. The report as in other years, shows advances in some respects, while in others we have not made the gains we had hoped to make. We report this year 502 societies having a membership of 12,429. Splendid gains in membership were made in some of the Presbyteries. Had all done as well as some did, we would have had by far the greatest record in our history. As it is, we number practically the same as one year ago. We have an increase of 9 societies and 7 members. During the year 28 new societies were organized. A few were dis-organized and some re-organized. We have 64 Little Light Bearers societies having a membership of 1199. Last year 65 societies having 1451 members were reported. Again this year we wish more interest might be taken in the Little Light Bearers. They are the Cradle Roll of the Junior Society, a recruiting force from which members are received when they have reached the age of six years.

27 Presbyteries have increased their membership. 16 of these were more than 10% increases. 14 made 20% or more of an increase. Four were above 40% and one was 68%. These are splendid increases. Special mention is made of Caledonia 34%, Delaware 35%, Rock Island 37%, Indiana 41%, Keokuk 44%, Colorado 50%, and Monmouth 68%. Forty societies report fifty or more members. Ten have seventy or more. The largest society this year is the 6th North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa., which has 94 members. Brown Ave., Erie, Pa., and Townsville, N. C. each number 90. We have 686 Honorary members. 47 Juniors are reported to have graduated. The reports are surely very incomplete as to Juniors graduated. 888 Juniors are reported as uniting with the church. This is a smaller number than for two years past but more than three years ago. 29 societies failed to send a report. Last year 15 did not report. It is very important that every society send a report. Letters will be written to all of these making inquiry. If you do not wish to have the health of your society inquired about, report promptly when blanks are received. 194 Mission Study classes were held during the year. Some of these were in connection with congregational Schools of Missions. 373 boxes and packages of gifts were sent to the various mission stations, home and foreign, in addition to the large Monmouth Convention exhibit. These gifts have brought much cheer to many little children who have few of the joys of childhood. 6540 subscriptions to the Junior Missionary Magazine were reported. Our reports do not show the full number as it is found in Mrs. Heagen's report. This is an increase of 353 over last year's report. There are still 164 societies that do not take the magazine. This number is 32% or nearly one third of the total number of societies. A great deal of time and work are expended to make the Junior Missionary Magazine attractive and helpful. It is given to societies for less than it costs. We are anxious that a copy shall be found in every home where

there are children of junior age. No Junior society can keep in touch with our work and be without the Junior Missionary Magazine. Sample copies have recently been sent to every society not subscribing. In Albany, Detroit, Kiskiminetas and Wisconsin Presbyteries every society subscribes for the magazine. There are two Presbyteries which do not report a single subscription. One society of 40 members, Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio, receives 100. They are doing a missionary work at home by circulating the magazine. 483 Junior Life Memberships were reported. There were 584 reported and paid for, to Mrs. Hill. A gain of 50 over last year.

CONTRIBUTIONS

We are glad to say that again we can report an increase in our contributions. We have increased our total $1058.82 over last year. This is a larger increase than for several years. 55 societies are on the Honor Roll for giving $100 or over. The 1st Church Northside Pittsburgh, Pa., leads with a total of $835, 6th Church Pittsburgh, Pa., has a total of $434 and 6th North Side Pittsburgh, Pa. follows closely with $413. Eleven societies gave $200 or over and ten others $90 or over but less than $100. The largest Thank-Offering came from the 1st Church Northside Pittsburgh, Pa. It amounted to $700. Six societies gave over $200 to the Thank-Offering. They were 1st N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., 6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., Aspinwall, Pa., 3rd Church Pittsburgh, Pa., Ingram, Pa. and 2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa. The largest Junior Special offering was $125. received from the 6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. 6th Pittsburgh, Pa. came next with $110. The average per member this year is $1.77. To the Departments of Work the Juniors have given a total of $7769. To the Junior Special, $4347.25. To the Thank-Offering, $14255.53 an increase of $808.82. A Grand total of $22024.53 or a net increase of $1058.82. In addition to this $448 were contributed to congregational work and $123 were contributed to district work. Several societies reported contributions to the Conservation and other funds not under the care of the W. G. M. S.. We were sorry to cut these from the totals, but only money passing through the hands of our Treasurer, Mrs. Hill, can be counted. During the year $28170.83 were taken from the Junior Life Membership fund to pay for the new school building at Ezel, Kentucky. The Juniors have helped in a very substantial way both at home and in India, to supply the educational needs of children less favored than themselves.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

The following figures have been compiled from the reports.

	1926	1927
Presbyteries in America	58	57
Presbyteries reporting Juniors	57	56
Junior societies	493	502
New Junior societies	28	28
Junior societies failing to report	15	29
Little Light Bearer's Circles	65	64
Little Light Bearers members	1451	1199
Loss in members	111	252
Junior society members	12422	12429
Gain in members		7
New Junior Life Members	378	483
Number graduated	102	47
Honorary Members	534	686

Number uniting with the church	1005	888
Mission Study classes	211	194
Junior Missionary Magazine subscriptions	6187	6540
Junior societies not using the magazine	137	164
Number of boxes and packages	340	373

CONTRIBUTIONS

Foreign Missions	$ 738	$ 743
Foreign Salaries	352	338
Home Missions	697	718
Indian Missions	339	313
Freedmen's Missions	369	397
Parsonage	89	84
Ministerial Relief	112	107
Junior Special Work	4057	4272
Presbyterial Expense Fund	137	141
Temperance	84	91
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	36	38
Columbia Hospital	32	42
Orphans' Home	114	148
Aged People's Home	32	31
New World Movement	35	89
Little Light Bearers' Contribution	293	213
Mrs. Moore Memorial		2
W. G. M. S. Expense Fund		2
Total	$7519	$7769
Thank-Offering	$13446.71	$14255.53
Grand Total	$20965.71	$22024.53
Net Gain	156.10	1058.82
Congregational Work	186.00	448.00
District work	198.00	123.00
Average per member	1.68	1.77
Presbyterials in Egypt	4	4
Societies in Egypt	17	13
Members in Egypt	1436	1953
Thank-Offerings in Egypt		$975.22
Total offerings in Egypt		1519.66
Presbyterials in India	4	5
Societies in India	29	24
Members in India	733	684
Thank Offerings in India	$51.15	82.41
Total Offerings in India	70.60	99.07

HONOR ROLL

The following societies are on the Honor Roll for having contributed $100 or over.

1st Allegheny, Pa., $835.
6th Pittsburgh, Pa., $434.
6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., 413.
1st Wilkinsburg, Pa., $366.
Aspinwall, Pa., $352.55.
8th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $349.50
2nd N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $341.
Ingram, Pa., $319.
3rd Pittsburgh, Pa., $270.
2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa., $263.
Jamestown, Pa., $255.50
Houston, Pa., $240.50
Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa., $202.08
Center, Midway, Pa., $181.
Slippery Rock Boro., Pa., $180.
1st Indiana, Pa., $175.
Brookline, Pittsburgh, Pa., $169.50
Apollo, Pa., $169.
Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio, $156.
Greenside, Canonsburg, Pa., $153.50
South Youngstown, Ohio, $153.
Chartiers, Canonsburg, Pa., $152.35
Greenville, Pa., $152.31
Grove City, Pa., $145.
Santa Ana, Calif., $144.
Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa., $144.
4th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa., $138.42
12th Philadelphia, Pa., $138.05
Poland Ave., Youngstown, Ohio, $135.11
Braddock, Pa., $133.
2nd Cambridge, Ohio, $133.
Woodville, Pa., $128.
Bovina Center, New York, $127.56
Ben Avon, Pa., $125.15
7th Philadelphia, Pa., $125.
Greensburg, Pa., $125.
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown, O., $120.
Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio, $120.
Somanauk, Ill., $119.78.
1st Pittsburgh, Pa., $119.
Carnegie, Pa., $119.
West Allis, Wis., $118.54.
Mars, Pa., $117.
2nd Pittsburgh, Pa., $112.
Evanston, Ill., $111.56.
1st Cambridge, Ohio, $111.25
1st East Liverpool, Ohio, $110.76.

Center, Pa. (Beaver Valley Presbt.) $108.
Lisbon, New York, $105.11
East McKeesport, Pa., $104.
1st Xenia, Ohio, $102.
Robinson, Pa., $102.
2nd Steubenville, Ohio, $101.90
Emsworth, Pa., $101.26
1st Italian, Pittsburgh, Pa., $100.

The following receive Honorable Mention.

Wallace Memorial, Washington, D. C., $99.26.
4th Allegheny, Pa., $99.
2nd New Castle, Pa., $96.
Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh, Pa., $96
Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pa., $95.12
Norris Square, Philadelphia, Pa., $95.
Kansas City, Kansas, $95.
Vandergrift, Pa., $92.25
New Brighton, Pa., $91.
Oakmont, Pa., $90.
2nd Chicago, Ill., $89.65

JUNIOR SPECIAL

For four years past the Junior Special Work has been the support of the Primary Schools for Girls in India. This work has appealed to the Juniors as in former years. They were asked for $4,200 and have again contributed more than that amount. $4,347.25 were received for this work last year. The Women's Board has voted to ask the Juniors for the same amount $4,200. for the coming year, the same object being continued. At the present time there is no other work more appropriate, or so much needed, that the Juniors could do.

SILVER TROPHY CUP

A year ago a new silver trophy cup was offered to the Presbyterial which had the largest percentage of increase in membership at the close of the year. As before stated 27 Presbyterials have increased their membership. To Monmouth Presbyterial which gained 68% of an increase over the membership reported one year ago, the award is made. We congratulate them upon their excellent record. Three new societies at the beginning of the year, helped very much in winning the trophy. The cup will be awarded again next year. All presbyteries having more than one society are eligible for the contest. Very few presbyteries are fully organized. New societies are a great help in a contest of this kind.

CONVENTION BANNER

This year the contest for the Convention Banner was narrowed down to Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Texas and Colorado Presbyteries. Oklahoma failed to win because only four of her five societies made a report. She also lost in membership. Texas failed because only four of her five societies reported a Thank-Offering and she also lost in membership. Wisconsin also failed because of a loss in membership, having met all other requirements. Colorado this year receives a pennant for having a Junior society in every one of her nine congregations. All the reports of this presbytery were on time. She had a 50% increase of membership—10% was required to win the banner. All of her societies gave to the Thank-Offering but only four of the nine gave to some Department of Work, so she too, failed to win the banner and it cannot be awarded this year since the requirements have not been met by any presbytery. We wish to commend Colorado for the excellent work done. We hope she will try a little harder next year and win the banner.

MISSION STUDY

During the past months we have enjoyed very much the foreign study, "Two Young Arabs," by Mrs. A. E. Zwemer. The helps for this book were especially good and I am sure all agreed that we have had a most interesting and profitable study. For our home studies we used "The Uplift" and "Better Americans" Number 3. "Please Stand By" by Margaret Applegarth is to be the foreign text this year. This is one of Miss Applegarth's best books. For the smaller children, ages four to six, Mrs. Lucy Peabody has prepared two books, "Just Like You." and "Taro and Ume." As home mission studies the "Better American" series are to be continued. We wish especially to call attention to "The Uplift." This is the study of our own United Presbyterian home mission work and merits a much larger use than has been accorded it. A most interesting and helpful number of new Junior books and maps are now available for the use of leaders in missionary teaching.

SHOWER BARREL

Contributions to the Shower Barrel have been continued during the year. Last fall we sent out 67 magazine subscriptions to seven schools and 58 homes of missionaries where there were children under fifteen years of age. $160.95 were expended for this purpose. There is in the fund at the present time (May 10) $72.69. Much credit for this work is due Mrs. I. H. Milliken, our former Junior Secretary, who began the Shower Barrel and who has given valuable assistance again this year.

Thirty-five years of organized Junior Work have been completed. In that time the Juniors have given a total of $130,267.48 to the Departments of Work. A total of $82,689.26 to the Junior Special Work. A total Thank-Offering of $179,674.29 making a Grand total of $392,631.03. There have been 6,404 Life Members. 13 of these are of the 1927 Thank-Offering. How many children have received an inspiration for service in the Master's cause we cannot tell. We are not able to estimate the good that has been accomplished. For all that has been done in these thirty-five years we are most grateful. We wish to express our appreciation of the loyal, faithful support of the many Junior leaders who have labored on untiringly for the advancement of the Junior work, sometimes amidst difficulties and discouragements. We ask the hearty co-operation of every Women's and Young Women's society in the church. This is your work. You are responsible for it. Have you helped all that you could? We need your prayers. We also need throughout all the church, the energetic, enthusiastic help which you can give the Junior cause. Won't you help us?

Respectfully submitted,

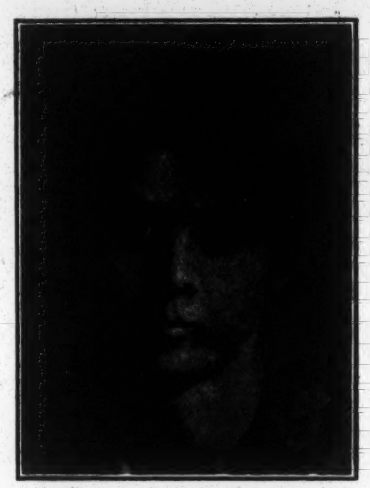
MRS. W. R. MCMUNN,
Junior Secretary

"And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children." Isa. 54:13.

REPORT OF

TEMPERANCE AND REFORM DEPARTMENTS

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927



MRS. HARRIET S. BOOBYER
Temperance and Reform Secretary

DURING the past year leaflets have been sent out in answer to 82 requests, programs have been suggested, plays adapted for use, and the Temperance and Reform Page in the Magazine substituted for the Clip Sheet. The mailing of the blanks to all Presbyterials and societies brought a response from 43 Presbyterials, (a gain of 6 over last year,) from over 400 Women's Societies, from over 125 Young Women's and some Juniors. A large majority did not report any active work done but many temperance and Reform secretaries have been elected in societies which formerly had none, and this promises some real work for next year.

India received $300 for temperance literature, and while no report is at hand yet, we know the money has been well used in distributing leaflets. The balance to the credit of the Temperance and Reform Department is $2652.15.

The actual results of the work of this department cannot be recorded on blanks or gathered into a report, for it manifests itself in the quickened interest of our women in Prohibition and needed reforms, and that interest cannot be measured.

There is great need that this interest shall deepen during the immediate years before us, and that church women shall set themselves to work more earnestly than ever before, in behalf of certain great questions which concern our National life.

The 18th Amendment and Law enforcement are two of the burning issues of the day, and coupled closely with these is the election of 1928. The candidacy of Gov. Al Smith, a Catholic and avowed "wet" will challenge every woman in our church of voting age to cast her ballot, regardless of party or politics, against such a choice for the Presidency.

The Temperance and Reform Secretary attended the conference of the Woman's National Committee For Law Enforcement that met in Providence, R. I., May tenth and eleventh, for some very worthwhile sessions. It is an organization to which twelve national bodies of women belong, among them our W. G. M. S., and it

speaks with no uncertain voice on the subjects of Law Enforcement and upholding of the Constitution.

The following are some of the remarks made by different speakers which are well worth repeating:

"Public sentiment is greater than the lawmakers; they dare not ignore it."

"Nothing is politically right that is morally wrong."

"We cannot always change our senator's minds, but we can always change our senators."

"My soul belongs to God, my heart belongs to my husband, but my vote is my own."

"Citizenship is akin to kingship."

"Now is the time for all good women to come to the aid of the—Government."

"The liquor interests have had the sense to know that their greatest enemy was the motherhood of the country."

"The 18th Amendment will not be repealed until after the repeal of the 19th."

"Apply the alcoholic test to all candidates for office.

Speaking of Law Enforcement—"Anybody can plant radishes, but it takes courage to plant acorns and then watch them grow."

"It is just as reasonable to regulate the liquor traffic as it is to punish thieving."

"It is the duty of the church to create sentiment and establish attitudes, and then crystallize the sentiment into action."

We must also realize that since the opening of the Sesqui-Centennial on the Sabbath day, the amusement and sporting interests of the country have organized and financed a determined effort to commercialize the Sabbath. In 15 of the state legislatures meeting this last winter, 40 bills dealing with the question of Sabbath observance were introduced, of these, 3 were offered by supporters of the Sabbath, and 37 by its enemies. While it is encouraging to note that so far none of the 37 have been enacted into law, it is to be regretted that legislation to strengthen the Sabbath, especially the Lankford Bill to give our nation's Capital a Lord's Day did not pass. We should support in every way possible the re-introduction of this bill next December.

We must not forget the menace of Mormonism and the steady advance of the Mormon Church, which is said to double its membership every 25 years, having at work 2,000 missionaries who win a yearly addition of 10,000 members, mostly from other churches. The growing power of this church, with its evil practices, with its degradation of women, and its powerful grip on the economic and political situation not only in the state of Utah but surrounding states should be understood, so it maybe conteracted. When you studied "Moslem Women" did you not see in the doctrines and practices of Islam, parallels to this false religion in our own land?

As we think of these three subjects, (and there are numerous other reform questions left unmentioned), it should be enough to impress upon us the fact that if ever there was a time when Temperance and Reform work is needed, it is *now*, if ever there was a time when the women of our church should fill a responsi-

bility for the young, it is *now*. We have a generation coming of age who cannot know unless they are told the real conditions and while we keep silent their opinions are being moulded and their future actions determined by the artful propaganda of a wet press.

Even if other organizations are working actively along these same lines, it is for us to add our strength to theirs, and help, as best we can, the speeding of the day when righteousness shall exalt our nation.

PRAYER GROUPS

We have now 73 prayer groups, meeting at the regular hour "Tuesday 10 A. M.," or some other convenient time, to pray earnestly, using the Prayer Cycle and remembering the special requests that come to them from the missionaries at home and abroad. The first group organized by Miss Kate Hill meeting in Pittsburgh has finished its tenth year, with an unbroken record of a meeting held every Tuesday in all these years. Our Heavenly Father has heard and lovingly answered the prayers of this and other groups. We hope the coming year shall see the formation of new groups that we may undergird the missionary efforts of our church with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIET S. BOOBYER

"The reasons which led to prohibition not only remain today but have been reenforced by the experience of other nations. The social peril of alcoholism is becoming a growing concern to statesmen throughout the world. If serious evils have sprung up since prohibition, they are far less than the evils which arose from the liquor traffic prior to the Amendment.

"The proposal to modify the Volstead Act so as to permit the sale of wines and beer presents insuperable objections. It would make enforcement more difficult. It would inevitably mean the return either of the saloon or something equally undesirable.

"Bootlegging in stronger liquors would become more menancing because it would tend to operate through the places where the milder intoxicants were sold. Moreover, there is no evidence to justify the contention that to permit wine and beer would reduce the consumption of ardent spirits. The teaching of experience is to the contrary.

"The one path of advance is for all good citizens personally to observe the law and to support the great enterprise, born of the idealism of the people, of completely ridding the nation of as demoralizing a business as the liquor traffic has always proved itself to be. Least of all should our prohibition law be changed in response to the cry of those who by their own disrespect for the law are preventing it from receiving a fair trial or who, because of their special interest in the return of the liquor traffic, are artifically stimulating an agitation for changing our present law.

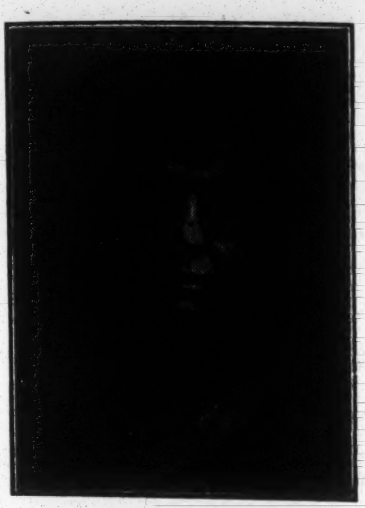
"The call of the hour is for such a thoroughgoing work of moral persuasion and legal enforcement as will give the policy of prohibition an adequate opportunity to demonstrate its full value to the nation and to the world."

From Report of Prohibition Committee of the Federal Council of Churches.

REPORT OF

PARSONAGE DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927



MRS. W. P. WIEGERING
Parsonage Secretary

THE parsonage work of the W. G. M. S. is really mission work, and aids not only the churches in the home land, but also assists in building residences in the foreign field.

Loans at the low rate of 2% interest are made to those whose applications are approved by the Board, and repayments are made monthly or quarterly. Thus in a period of ten or fifteen years both principal and interest are paid.

A number of applications had to be refused this year as there were no funds available. These are on the waiting list and as funds are available the applications will be presented to the Board.

High cost of both labor and material make the amounts asked much larger than formerly. Eight congregations received loans, two received additionals loans, and $13,320.00 was loaned to the Foreign Board for a residence at the Girls' College, Cairo, Egypt, making the total amounts of loans placed this year $62,287.90.

Cash receipts from payments and interest, $27,841.95. From Presbyterials $3,633.00, a little less than last year.

To date, April 15, 1927 grants have been made to build parsonages and missionary residences at home and abroad, representing an outlay of $725,976.32.

Outstanding loans April 15, 1927 of $266,155.26.

Loans were made this year to—Warren, Ohio; North Hill, Akron, Ohio; First Portland Oregon; Russelton, Pa.; King Hill, Idaho; Leetsdale, Pa.; DeWitt, Iowa; Harmarsville, Pa., and Foreign Board for residence at Cairo, Egypt. Additional loans to Kenton, Oregon and Barstow Colony, California.

The following congregations have made final payments on their loans during the year:—Economy, Ambridge, Pa.; Brookings, S. D.; First Cincinnati, Ohio; Jethmore, Kansas; Third Seattle, Wash.; First Spokane, Wash.

STATEMENT OF PARSONAGE LOANS
WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

For the Fiscal Year Ending April 15, 1927

	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1926	Paid During the Year	Outstanding April 15, 1927
Economy, Ambridge, Pa.	$ 400.00	$ 400.00	
Fourth Akron, Ohio	900.92	670.90	230.02
First, Akron, Ohio	5,255.74	533.42	4,722.32
Assiut, Egypt	21,658.32	1,082.92	20,575.40
Alliance, Ohio	8,700.00	580.00	8,120.00
Boise, Idaho	375.72		375.72
Brookings, S. D.	61.88	61.88	
Barstow Colony, Cal.	263.45	103.89	159.56
Beechview, Pa.	2,943.31		2,943.31
North Ave., Baltimore, Md.	1,787.10	155.40	1,631.70
Beaumont, Cal.	3,954.96	395.52	3,559.44
Boyden, Iowa	2,648.38	235.44	2,412.94
First, Cincinnati, Ohio	332.00	332.00	
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	1,976.61	330.00	1,646.61
Brooklyn, Cleveland, Ohio	1,977.38	247.20	1,730.18
Second, Cleveland	5,641.88	761.68	4,880.20
Colorado Springs, Colorado	3,707.78	423.76	3,284.02
Slovak, Calvinist, Cleveland	4,343.42	423.76	3,919.66
Ingleside, San Francisco	7,112.03	359.64	6,752.39
Military Ave., Detroit	960.52	320.16	640.36
Ewing, Neb.	1,221.00	166.50	1,054.50
Elyria, Ohio	8,555.00	145.00	8,410.00
Four Mile, Beaver, Pa.	777.00	711.00	66.00
Freeport, Pa.	6,590.20	753.76	5,836.44
Florence Ave., Los Angeles	5,830.94	448.52	5,382.42
Grinnell, Iowa	2,636.24	277.52	2,358.72
Greeley, Colorado	2,245.00		2,245.00
Granger, Washington	2,754.21	282.60	2,471.61
Hepburn, Iowa	1,647.39	117.70	1,529.69
Hutchinson, Kansas	1,998.00	416.25	1,581.75
Indiana Harbor, Indiana	3,601.68	423.76	3,177.92
Ingram, Pa.	11,110.00	1,110.00	10,000.00
Jetmore, Kansas	69.19	69.19	
Kenton, Ohio	2,335.31	301.32	2,033.99
Lakewood, Cleveland, Ohio	3,955.00	141.25	3,813.75
Monessen, Pa.	1,600.84	480.24	1,120.60
Moundsville, West Virginia	1,341.88	282.50	1,059.38
Montrose, Colorado	2,346.77	211.89	2,134.88
Muscle Shoals, Alabama	2,354.12	235.42	2,118.70
Murray, Nebraska	2,509.51		2,509.51
Monroe, Iowa	1,415.22	566.52	848.70
Meridian, Pa.	1,194.58	127.65	1,066.93
Norfolk, Virginia	1,318.34	329.58	988.76
Ontario, Oregon*	1,174.65	209.00	965.65
Olathe, Colorado	1,353.25		1,353.25
Oskaloosa, Iowa	564.67	151.34	413.33
South Omaha, Nebraska	275.00	92.00	183.00

	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1926	Paid During the Year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1927
Oneonta, New York	2,930.00	600.00	2,330.00
Knoxville, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1,624.34	282.52	1,341.82
12th, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,048.03	211.89	1,836.14
Ross Community, Pittsburgh, Pa.	5,179.00	353.28	4,825.72
Roberts, Idaho	582.75	27.75	555.00
Third, Rock Island, Ill.	6,264.00	502.66	5,761.34
Stuttgart, Arkansas	4,497.50		4,497.50
Third, Seattle, Washington	397.25	397.25	
Sebring, Ohio	777.00	166.50	610.50
Third, St. Louis, Missouri	2,165.77	376.68	1,789.09
Shedd, Oregon	1,110.00	110.00	1,000.00
Olympic Court, Seattle, Washington	2,335.14	75.34	2,259.80
Somerville, Indiana	1,438.31	261.52	1,176.79
Second, Spokane, Washington	2,554.29	239.78	2,314.51
First, Spokane, Washington	890.00	890.00	
Savannah, Ohio	424.00	212.00	212.00
Scotdale, Pa.	3,484.17	376.68	3,107.49
Tulsa, Oklahoma	2,138.12		2,138.12
First, Toledo, Ohio	4,495.50	400.00	4,095.50
East, Toledo, Ohio	1,506.02	129.53	1,376.49
North Ave., Tarentum, Pa.	8,658.00	440.00	8,214.00
Weiser, Idaho	2,312.24	275.00	2,037.24
College Hill, Wichita, Kansas	3,354.70		3,354.70
Washtucna, Washington	717.00		717.00
Woodlawn, Pa.	981.48	640.32	341.16
Waterford, Pa.	636.00	424.00	212.00
First, Wichita, Kansas	2,824.96	282.46	2,542.50
Woodville, Pa.	7,893.23	693.36	7,199.87
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown	6,186.73	463.98	5,722.75
Lansingville, Youngstown	2,121.50	2,018.87	102.63
Zelienople, Pa.	395.50	220.00	175.50
Kenton, Portland, Oregon	848.10	48.10	800.00
Totals	$231,547.02	$26,591.55	$204,955.47
Less Concessions			
Lansingville $102.63			
Four Mile Run 66.00			
Fourth, Akron 230.02	389.65		398.65
Totals	$231,148.37	$26,591.55	$204,556.82

NEW LOANS

	New Loans During the Fiscal Year	Paid During the year	Outstanding April 15, 1927
Warren, Ohio	$ 6,960.00	$ 116.00	$ 6,844.00
First, Portland, Oregon	3,339.00	70.63	3,268.37
Leetsdale, Pa.	9,280.00		9,280.00
North Hill, Akron, Ohio	9,279.95	463.98	8,815.97
Barstow Colony, Additional	390.00		390.00
Girls' College, Cairo, Egypt	18,320.00		18,320.00
DeWitt, Iowa	1,332.00		1,332.00

Harmeryille, Pa.	9,280.00		9,280.00
King Hill Idaho	1,554.00	38.85	1,515.15
Kenton, Portland, Oregon, Additional	1,753.00		1,753.00
Russelton, Pa.	5,799.95		5,799.95
Total New Loans	$ 62,287.90	$ 689.46	$ 61,598.44
	$293,436.27	$27,281.01	$266,155.26

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Montrose Ave., Chicago	$ 323.06	
Greeley, Colorado, Interest	40.00	
Luxor, Egypt, Rent	180.00	
Interest on Bank Deposits	17.88	
Total all Receipts	$27,841.95	
Total Outstanding April 15, 1927		$266,155.26

Women's General Missionary Society
of the United Presbyterian Church
of North America,

Mesdames:

We have completed an audit of the books of account of Mrs. W. P. Wiegering, Parsonage Secretary for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1927 and submit herewith our report.

All receipts for payments during the year were found to be correctly recorded. These receipts were verified as transferred to the Society's Treasurer during the year. Statement of payments and outstanding balances at April 15, 1927 are exhibited elsewhere in this report.

We hereby certify that the statement of operations and the amounts of the Parsonage Loans outstanding at the close of the fiscal year ending April 15, 1927 is, in our opinion correctly stated.

Very truly yours,
CLARK and COLLINS
Certified Public Accountants

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. P. WIEGERING,
Parsonage Secretary

WHAT STEWARDSHIP PRACTICED WILL DO FOR US

It will introduce us to the secret of successful Christian living.

Deepen and broaden the sense of responsibility.

Make faith real as we discover the results of doing God's will.

Teach the spirit of Christ, who came not to be ministered unto but to minister.

Keep us from growing up in selfish ease, in the midst of a world of need.

Strengthen the purpose to live not to ourselves, but for Christ and others.

Make possible continuous, joyous Christian service.

Develop Christian character.

Enable boys and girls to find the way, while passing through the adolescent period, to their highest possibilities; and thus enable them to form habits and plans that will insure vital, victorious church members for the coming generation.—Selected.

REPORT OF

THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927

MRS. O. H. MILLIGAN
Thank-Offering Secretary

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto Jehovah,
And to sing praises unto Thy name, O Most High;
To show forth Thy loving kindness in the morning,
And Thy faithfulness every night.
—Psalm XCII."

WE are to celebrate in joyful strain the greatness of God's works. It is a good thing to give thanks and sing praises. God deserves our thanksgiving. He created us. He preserves us. He blesses us daily with gifts we cannot number. He has redeemed us by the sacrifice of His Son. The Holy Spirit is with us ever seeking to lead us nearer God and to sustain us in every hour of need. He has given us the blessed hope which stretches on into life eternal. His goodness is manifested to us all the day and we are to express it.

"To show forth Thy loving kindness in the morning,
And Thy faithfulness every night."

The Psalmist points this out as our duty, but it will soon become to us a personal joy. Every day we have abundant cause for gratitude to God.

The women and children have again testified by their Thank-Offerings that it is good to give thanks to Jehovah. Their gratitude has been expressed by their gifts.

As we review the returned blanks we have great reason to say "PRAISE YE THE LORD."

These speak to us of the faithfulness of the members of the societies —a year of earnest service in His cause. A year of prayer for the work and the workers. A year of good work in preparing the ground and sowing the seed.

A year of endeavor to interest others in the great work of the Thank-Offering. The Very Best year in the history of the department.

Our desire for 1926, a report from each society has not been realized, yet we are nearer the realization than ever before.

September, sixth the 1925 Thank-Offering blanks were sent to 1,779 societies. Of this number 1,738 societies reported. Forty-one failed to return their report. If any society is disorganized or merged during the year, please so report.

Forty-one Presbyterials are on the Honor Roll for having had a Thank-

Offering and reporting same on time from all Auxiliary societies. This is an increase of nine Presbyterials.

They are:—

Allegheny—first year
Arkansas Valley—fifth year
Big Spring—fourth year
Butler—fourth year
Chartiers—third year
Cleveland—tenth year
College Springs—second year
Colorado—first year
Concordia—sixth year
Des Moines—first year
Detroit—fourth year
Frankfort—first year
Hudson—third year
Idaho—fourth year
Illinois Southern—fourth year
Indiana—second year
Indiana Northern—first year
Kansas City—third year
Keokuk—first year
Kiskiminetas—second year
Lake—first year
Mansfield—first year
Monmouth—fifth year
Monongahela—fifth year
New York—first year
Ohio Northwestern—first year
Oklahoma—second year
Omaha—second year
Oregon—second year
Philadelphia—third year
Puget Sound—sixth year
San Francisco—second year
Spokane—first year
Steubenville—sixth year
Tennessee—first year
Uncompahgre—fifth year
Vermont—second year
Westmoreland—third year
Wheeling—first year
Wisconsin—ninth year
Xenia—first year

Honorable mention is made of seven Presbyterials that lacked but one society of being a 100% Presbyterial. They are Albany, Argyle, Cedar Rapids, Delaware, Pawnee, Rock Island and Ohio First. Mention is also made of five Presbyterials that lacked but two societies of a perfect record. They are Chicago, Los Angeles, Mercer, Muskingum and Texas.

Forty-four Presbyterials increased their offerings over last year. They are Albany, Allegheny, Argyle, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Big Spring, Boston, Butler, Caledonia, Cedar Rapids, Chartiers, Chicago, Cleveland, College Springs, Colorado, Concordia, Conemaugh, Delaware. Des Moines, Hudson, Idaho, Illinois Southern, Indiana Northern, Keokuk, Kiskiminetas, Los Angeles, Mansfield, Mercer, Monongahela, Muskingum, Ohio First, Omaha, Oregon, Pawnee, Philadelphia, Puget Sound, San Francisco, Ohio Northwestern, Spokane, Steubenville, Uncompahgre, Westmoreland, Wisconsin, Xenia.

Of the 1,738 societies reporting, 909 increased the amount of their offering of the previous year.

Sixty-three Women's and Young Womens societies doubled their offering of 1925. On the Honor Roll for having averaged one dollar or more per member are 180 Junior societies. Eleven of an increase. Fifty-nine societies gave a Thank-Offering for the first time and twenty-seven congregations not having societies gave a Thank-Offering.

The Thank-Offering of Egypt is:—

Thebes Presbyterial	$ 379.75
Assiut Presbyterial	1439.05
Middle Egypt Presbyterial	402.72
Delta Presbyterial	1616.08
Total	$3,837.60

An increase over the previous year.

The Thank-Offering of India is:

Rawalpindi Presbyterial	Rs. 452- 0- 0
Sargodha Presbyterial	286- 3- 0
Gujranwala Presbyterial	643- 9- 7
Sialkot Presbyterial	1062- 7-10
Gurdaspur Presbyterial	308-15- 0
Total	Rs. 2753- 3- 6

An increase over the offering of the previous year.

The offerings of Egypt and India are disbursed to objects in their own countries, and as they do not pass through the hands of our General Treasurer are not included in the total, but are in addition to it.

Distribution of supplies from April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927 are as follows:

Senior Envelopes	71,209
Young Women's Envelopes	25,859
Junior Envelopes	18,670
Senior Leaflets	58,782
Junior Leaflets	17,480
T. O. Creed	641
T. O. Invitations	27,893
Senior Services	5,020
Junior Services	221
Senior Boxes	12,613
Junior Boxes	12,860
T. O. Posters	196
Total	251,444

An increase over the previous year.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Senior	741
Junior	584
Life Directorships	12

From the Junior Life Membership fund a splendid school building was erected at Ezel, Kentucky. A new church was dedicated at Frenchburg, Kentucky May 15, paid for by the Life Directorship fund.

Thirty-nine years ago the women and children of our church began to erect a monument of gratitude to the glory of God. Year by year another course is added. As we look at the one just placed upon this monument we pause to praise God. The Thank-Offering of 1926 is the largest one ever given.

The Thank-Offering is $170,161.09. To this amount is added the interest accrued until it was disbursed June first which is approximately $2,908.-00 making the total amount of the 1926 Thank-Offering $173,069.09. This is an increase of $11,519.04 over the offering of last year.

We have great reason to praise Him for the blessing of this Thank-Offering—our very best. Let us go forward with the desire to do more for Him and express our gratitude to Him by a larger Thank-Offering this year.

"Bring thy best for He is Kingly;
Bring thy offering full and free,
Thou can'st never match His bounty,
For He gave His life for Thee.

Look on all His gifts around thee;
Gifts that make it joy to live;
Best of all, O regal kindness!
He has given thee power to give."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. H. MILLIGAN

SENIOR LIFE MEMBERS

$25.00 Each

Beginning May 1, 1927, Ending June 1

23. Mrs. Alice Duff, New Castle, Pa. By her Mother, Mrs. D. G. Duff.
24. Mrs. William Orr, Meridian, Pa. By Meridian U. P. Sabbath School.
25. Frances Patton, Monsura, Egypt. By Y. W. M. S. of Sparta, Ill., Cong.
26. Mrs. Rebecca Denney, Canton, Ohio. By W. M. S. of Bedford Ave. U. P. Church.

1926 THANK-OFFERING

*Albany	$ 1500.00
*Allegheny	14906.71
*Argyle	1874.57
*Arkansas Valley	1796.37
*Beaver Valley	8219.00
*Big Spring	1187.60
*Boston	1894.29
*Butler	5119.00
*Caledonia	2638.83
*Cedar Rapids	1723.81
*Chartiers	7891.89
*Chicago	2404.17
*Cleveland	7681.39
*College Springs	1746.59
*Colorado	2077.25
*Concordia	243.19
*Conemaugh	3128.04
*Delaware	2909.33
*Des Moines	1803.41
Detroit	2182.68
Frankfort	440.00
*Hudson	2167.78
*Idaho	509.31
*Illinois Southern	2674.17
Indiana	1255.28
*Indiana Northern	243.44
Kansas City	1980.46
*Keokuk	1681.35
*Kiskiminetas	3194.61
Lake	2748.81
*Los Angeles	4300.32
*Mansfield	1813.04
*Mercer	2781.55
Monmouth	2491.90
*Monongahela	25797.67
*Muskingum	3793.88
New York	173.54
*Ohio First	2822.56
Oklahoma	535.45
*Omaha	802.54
*Oregon	1001.92
*Pawnee	678.51
*Philadelphia	6428.00
*Puget Sound	1572.47
Rock Island	1140.77
*San Francisco	1522.87
*Sidney (Ohio Northwestern)	1114.32
*Spokane	751.45
*Steubenville	4520.98
Tennessee	542.46
Texas	282.81
*Uncompahgre	87.40
Vermont	294.83
*Westmoreland	6930.92
Wheeling	2201.86
*Wisconsin	1097.61
*Xenia	3693.31
Mrs. Mary L. Fogt	50.00
Mrs. J. E. Gartin	25.00
Mrs. T. J. Lyle	25.00
Gorei Jr. M. S.	20.00
Home for Aged People	67.39
Irene Jury	5.00
Convention Offering	122.95
Sale of Supplies	222.00
Int. Mary Clokey Porter Bequest	553.45
Int. E. McCurtney Bequest	1.80
Interest, Approximate	2910.55
Total	$173001.41

*Increased their offerings

DISTRIBUTION OF 1926 THANK-OFFERING

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society, Tuesday, June 7, 1927, the following distribution of the 1926 Thank-Offering was made:

Foreign Missions	$ 96295.00
Foreign Salaries	203.00
Home Missions	12025.00
Indian Missions	1000.00
Freedmen's Missions	22000.00
Parsonage	7000.00
Junior Magazine	2000.00
Ministerial Relief	1204.40
Senior Life Memberships	18525.00
Junior Life Memberships	5840.00
Life Directorships	3600.00
Aged People's Home	53.51
Contingent Fund	3255.50
Total	$173001.41

DESIGNATIONS OF 1926 THANK-OFFERING

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Junior Life Memberships	Senior Life Memberships	Life Directorships	Contingent Fund	Home for Aged People	TOTAL
Albany					75.00				75.00
Allegheny	20.00			830.00	2050.00	300.00		53.51	3253.51
Argyle				20.00	150.00				170.00
Arkansas Valley				60.00	150.00				210.00
Beavery Valley	100.00			190.00	675.00				965.00
Big Spring				40.00	125.00				165.00
Boston				10.00	450.00				460.00
Butler				170.00	550.00				720.00
Caledonia		50.00		80.00	225.00				305.00
Cedar Rapids				20.00	25.00	300.00			345.00
Chartiers				840.00	750.00				1090.00
Chicago				190.00	425.00				615.00
Cleveland				860.00	1125.00	300.00			1785.00
College Springs				10.00	150.00				160.00
Colorado				70.00	225.00				295.00
Conemaugh				150.00	325.00	300.00			775.00
Delaware		153.00		80.00	350.00				583.00
Des Moines				80.00	100.00				180.00
Detroit	50.00			10.00	375.00				435.00
Frankfort				20.00	25.00				45.00
Hudson					75.00	300.00			375.00
Idaho					100.00				100.00
Illinois Southern				100.00	150.00				250.00
Indiana				10.00	50.00				60.00
Kansas City				70.00	150.00				220.00
Keokuk				80.00	200.00				280.00
Kiskiminetas				190.00	350.00				540.00
Lake				200.00	325.00				525.00
Los Angeles	35.00			280.00	450.00				715.00
Mansfield				70.00	125.00				195.00
Mercer				80.00	300.00				380.00
Monmouth				90.00	300.00				390.00
Monongahela			25.00	1110.00	2175.00	1200.00			4510.00
Muskingum				120.00	425.00				545.00
Ohio First				20.00	225.00				245.00
Oklahoma					175.00				175.00
Omaha				20.00	75.00				95.00
Oregon				80.00	100.00				180.00
Pawnee				10.00	75.00				85.00
Philadelphia				180.00	1125.00				1305.00
Puget Sound				40.00	250.00				290.00
Rock Island				20.00	75.00				95.00
San Francisco					175.00				175.00
Sidney (O. No'western)					25.00				25.00
Spokane					50.00				50.00
Steubenville				120.00	450.00	300.00			870.00
Tennessee					25.00				25.00
Texas				10.00	50.00				60.00
Westmoreland	90.00			150.00	1075.00	300.00			1615.00
Wheeling				70.00	200.00				270.00
Wisconsin				120.00	225.00				345.00
Xenia				150.00	525.00	300.00			975.00
Miscellaneous				20.00	125.00				145.00
Convention Offering							122.95		122.95
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Interest, Approximate							2910.55		2910.55
Total	295.00	203.00	25.00	5840.00	18525.00	3600.00	3255.50	53.51	31797.01

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Have you a gift that you would share
With someone who has none,
But which, perchance, seems rather small
To offer anyone?
Then bring it to the King, and He
Will weigh it with desire,
And, measured by sincerity,
Its power to serve inspire.

Have you a gift that is so large
You hesitate to share
It with another, lest it go
Beyond your watchful care?
Then bring it to the King, and he—
Who loaned it first to you—
Will show, while caring for his own,
What loving gifts can do.

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29. Mrs. George Sands, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her sister, Mrs. H. C. Campbell.
30. Mrs.Blanche H. Anderson, Philadelphia, Pa. By the Y. W. M. S. of Philadelphia.
31. Mrs. Edith Hice Wiegering, Youngstown, Ohio. By her husband, Dr. W. P. Wiegering.
32. Mrs. A. N. Leavitt, New York City. By J. G. McCrory.
33. Mrs. George Sterling, Steubenville, Ohio. By Steubenville Presbyterial.
34. Carrie E. McDanel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. A mother's gift.
35. Mrs. Frank Davis, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
36. Blanche Soule, Egyptian Sudan. By W. M. S. of Second Church, New York City.
37. Mrs. A. C. Evans, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her husband.
38. Mrs. Howard Beatty Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her mother, Mrs. J. C. Hare.
39. Mrs. J. B. Hill, Pittsburgh, Pa.

40. Mrs. W. M. Boggs, Valencia, Pa. By Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Evans.
41. Mrs. Guy D. Wallace, Braddock, Pa. By a friend.
42. Mrs. J. C. Pinkerton, Indiana, Pa. By a friend.
43. Mrs. Edward Stotz, Ingram, Pa. By her husband.

Memorial Roll

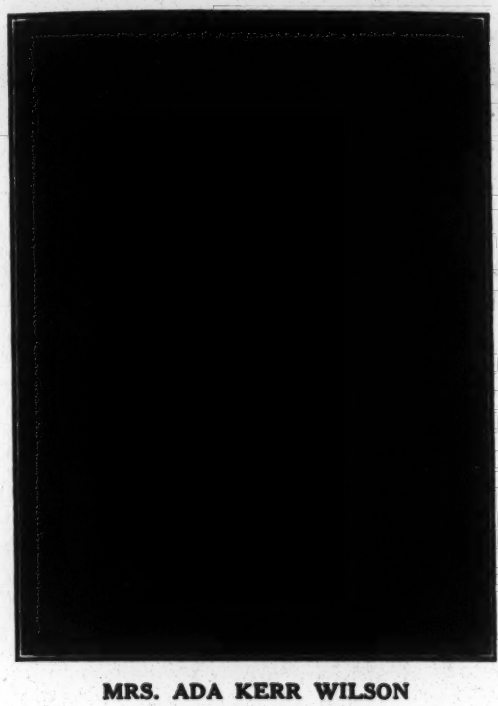
MEMORIAL ROLL

$300.00 Each.

1. Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Savage. By their daughter, Mrs. M. Alexander.
2. Capt. John Paisley. By his wife.
3. Miss Mary Anderson. By her sister, Miss Sarah Anderson.
4. Mrs. Emma H. Brown. By her husband.
5. Mr. and Mrs. William Miller. By their daughter, Mrs. H. C. Campbell.
6. Mrs. Mary G. George. By her son, Mr. W. S. George.
7. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cleary. By their daughter, Miss Fannie A. Cleary.
8. Mrs. Julia Ingram Adams Frothingham. By her daughter, Mrs. A. A. MacLachlan.
9. Mrs. Catherine A. Wiggins. By her son, Mr. D. L. Wiggins.
10. Miss Anna McCourt. By her sister, Mrs. Samuel Boal.
11. Mr. J. W. Duff. By his wife.
12. Mrs. Margaret McClenahan. By Mr. J. G. McCrory, New York.
13. Mrs. William Agnew Morrison. By her son and daughter, J. Homer Morrison and Mrs. Gertrude Krill, Struthers, O.
14. Mrs. E. J. McPherson, the first President of the Women's Board. By her sister.
15. Dr. John MacDonald Russell. By his sister, Mrs. T. T. Lowman.
16. James T. and Mary Belle Ross. By Miss Jane D. Ross.
17. Thomas McConnell Simpson. By his wife Minnie G. Simpson.
18. Mrs. J. P. MacDanel. By her son.
19. Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter. A "D. C. C." for most valiant service in the W. G. M. S. Division of the Lord's Army. Bestowed by a devoted friend in Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
20. Mr. Addison Lysle; Mrs. Caroline Patton Lysle. By their daughter, Anna M. L. McLain.
21. Robert A. Bole. By his sister, Mrs. J. C. Hare.
22. Mrs. Alex Stewart. By W. M. S., Emsworth, Pa.
23. Mr. A. M. Scott. By his wife, Margaret B. Scott, Braddock, Pa.
24. Miss Mary Lysle. By her niece, Anna M. L. McLain, Claysville, Pa.
25. Miss Caroline Lysle. By her niece, Anna M. L. McLain, Claysville, Pa.
26. Mrs. Etta F. Gilfillan. By her husband, J. Clyde Gilfillan and daughter, Elizabeth.
27. Mrs. J. S. Robinson. By son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller, Indiana, Pa.
28. Mrs. Allen Kirkpatrick. By W. M. S. of Braddock, Pa.
29. Mr. William Patton. By his granddaughter, Anna M. L. McLain, Claysville, Pa.
30. Mrs. Anna Clark Patton. By her grand-daughter, Anna M. L. McLain, Claysville, Pa.
31. Mrs. Mary J. Baird. By her husband, S. E. Baird.
32. Margaret J. Pollock. By W. M. S. of Philadelphia Presbyterial.
33. Ida May McClure. By her sister.
34. Mr. George Lysle. By his granddaughter, Anna M. L. McLain, Claysville W. M. S.
35. Mrs. Margaret McIlvaine Lysle. By her granddaughter, Anna M. L. McLain, Claysville, W. M. S.
36. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patton. By their daughter, Anna I. Patton, Springfield, Ohio.
37. Mr. D. C. Wills. By his wife, Mrs. D. C. Wills, Cleveland, Ohio.
38. Rev. J. J. and Mrs. Belle W. Huston.
39. Mrs. K. C. Johnston. By her son, O. S. Johnston, Santa Ana. Calif.

REPORT OF

FREEDMEN'S DEPARTMENT



MRS. ADA KERR WILSON
Freedmen's Secretary

WHILE we may not be able to report the end of a perfect year, we are pleased that we have had a year of achievement along various lines. Our schools have been filled to overflowing, the spiritual life quickened and the industrial departments enrolled to capacity. The low price of cotton has made a difference in the enrollment of the boarding departments, especially those in the Black Belt. Notwithstanding this condition, the interest in all the departments of church and school has been good, conversions many, and contributions to church work far in advance of those of previous years.

During Evangelistic services held at Prairie, there were 20 who professed their faith in Christ. At Canton Bend, the same number made profession of their faith, 11 of whom were baptized and joined the church there. At Henderson, 20 accepted Christ, 10 of whom united with our church. At Arlington, at the close of their special meetings, there was not a student left who was not a professing Christian. From this encouraging report of the conversions, we feel that the work among the colored people has not been in vain.

Our receipts for the year were $35,077.61. $20,000 of this was received from the Thank-Offering. The expenditures $35,551.78. It takes $27,698.02 for salaries alone. From Presbyterials the receipts were only $9,486. Will individual societies not *pray* over their *contributions* and be more liberal to this very necessary work among the Freedmen.

CAMDEN, ALABAMA

As we look back over the past year, we feel thankful for the many blessings that have come to us. Even our discouragements have been helpful to us, as they caused us to work harder in order to reach our objectives.

The prosperity of this section depends almost entirely on the price of cotton, and as the price went down last fall, the effects were immediately felt in our boarding department, and in all the other activities of the work, both church, and school. Notwithstanding this fact, however, the enrollment in the day school has been about up to that of former years, although the boarding department was smaller, owing to the scarcity of money.

In spite of the financial stringency, our people contributed for all purposes something over $500.

Twenty-nine girls and seven lady teachers were in the girls' dormitory this year and nineteen boys in the boys' building this year. This is our second year in the new building, but everybody takes pride in trying to keep it looking nice and clean.

These girls are all taught housekeeping and laundering by the Matron, and given practical lessons in cooking and table service by the Domestic Science teacher. Prizes are given the two girls who keep the nicest room during the term. We have among our girls some very neat housekeepers and some excellent cooks.

One hundred girls were enrolled in the Sewing Department during the year, and besides the model books made by students of the lower grades, 80 garments were completed, and 260 yards of new material were used. The most of this material was paid for by the Sewing Department. Prizes are offered in this department, also for excellence in work done during the year. All girls who finish the course are required to make their own graduating dresses, under the supervision of the Sewing Teacher.

We needed a new piano for our auditorium, but didn't want to ask the Board for it, so we bought it ourselves, and are using the old piano as a practice instrument.

We have in connection with the school two missionary societies, one Junior society, and one Y. P. C. U., also a Sabbath School and a small congregation.

Our School Building had a new roof put on last fall. This was necessary because of the storm that carried away a part of the old roof. This storm also blew down a number of trees on the campus, and broke several windows in the School Building.

We would not close before thanking the good friends who sent us second hand clothing, and Christmas toys during the year. These things were helpful to us in our work. A letter of acknowledgement was sent to each donor.

W. G. WILSON,
Principal

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PRAIRIE, ALABAMA

It appeared at one time, that our boarding department would be overcrowded and this would have been true but for the fall in the price of cotton. Our total enrollment was 190, 25 of whom were boarders. At one time, a truck from Catherine, a nearby town, brought us 30 students each day. Tuition was very hard to collect. Since there was no cotton, there was no money for tuition. The spirit was fine, from many standpoints. The winter has been mild and there has fortunately been no serious sickness. Some second-hand clothing, coming from the different sections, was very helpful. Some of these articles were given to the most needy, thus enabling them to remain in school, Sabbath School and Church, which otherwise, would have been impossible.

Six of this year's graduates have done splendid literary work, in addition to their work in sewing and domestic science.

The new furnace installed this year has been the source of great comfort and satisfaction.

The spring garden has furnished

the boarding department with all the necessary vegetables.

A music department has been maintained this year, in response to the demand for people able to play the piano. That the efforts expended in this department were well worth while was demonstrated forcibly at the closing exercises which were just recently held.

The sewing department had 76 students, boys and girls, and has done excellent work. The use of the thimble, different stitches, matching, altering, mending, darning, plain sewing and dressmaking were all taught, in addition to fancy work. The graduating class makes its own dresses for graduation.

The Mothers' Club is part of this department. While some of the mothers sew, others learn to read, spell and write. Some who could neither read nor write a word several months ago, are now able to do so pretty well. Some of these mothers walk five miles, once or twice a week, so eager are they to learn.

The school was the recipient of a beautiful piano from Mr. T. J. Gillespie, in memory of Mrs. Jennie Hastings Gillespie, his wife, first Secretary of the Juniors, for whom the school building was named. For this gift, all were very grateful.

In connection with the work here, a community canning club has been organized. This was done in order to save the wild, as well as other fruits, which so often go to waste. This club also has for one of its purposes, the beautifying of lawns and gardens. It is made up of community people, regardless of church or school affiliation. The work is done under the supervision of Mrs. Mary E. V. Bennett, wife of the farmer. At present, it is carried on from house to house but later on, the club hopes to have a community kitchen where all the work can be done. The canned fruits are to be on exhibit at our annual Fairs.

The latest addition here is an Acetylene Lighting Plant which lights satisfactorily the church and school building. It is hoped, later, that the lights from this plant may be extended to the other buildings. Schools, church, teachers and friends, made this much needed plant possible. A piano for the church costing about $400 was provided by the people of the community and the last payment has been made.

The Church has been prosperous this year. It raised the required amount of its budget, which was $575, or more than $10 per member. This was in face of the fact that more than two-thirds of the membership are small children. There were 25 conversions in the series of meetings held, ten of whom were children and joined our church. We had also 12 adults. On the last Sabbath of April, two elders were ordained, together with five deacons.

THE FARM AT PRAIRIE

Much improvement has been made on the farm this year. 7 houses have been repaired, the Board having spent about $1,000. One of the houses had to be torn down and rebuilt. The farm itself has paid out almost $300 on repairs, taxes, et cetera. The prospects are brighter this year than they have been, and it is hoped that there will be some proceeds that can be returned to the

Board. A dairy, though small, is being tried out. At present, it seems as if it might become a paying proposition later on.

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ARLINGTON LITERARY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ANNEMANIE, ALA.

In looking over our year's work, we have many things for which to be thankful. Although times have been hard with us owing to the low price of cotton, we have had a splendid enrollment both in the dormitories and the day school department, and the students have remained in school. Our religious services have been well attended by the people of the community, and our special meetings were more largely attended than any in the history of our school, at the end of which there was not a student left who was not a professing Christian. Our teachers have been on the job, and the work has gotten on nicely in each department. Mrs. Groves says, "In the words of David, 'What fit return Lord can I make for all thy gifts on me bestowed?' With grateful hearts we look back over a well spent year in His service. A year in which He has blest us with life, health and strength. No doctor's bill on our campus, not one of our students sent from school; thus He has kept us, no other could."

Speaking of the sewing department, that was conducted by Miss Maggie Stevenson, a very proficient teacher, I wish to say all has gone well. Seventy-six girls have been taught to sew, and many of them are able to make their own clothing and clothes for the rest of the family. There is also connected with this department a Mothers' Club, composed of the mothers of the community. They meet regularly every Friday afternoon, and while they are taught to sew and make many articles that are useful in the homes, they also learn much of the Bible. So you see that the sewing department is doing a splendid work in our community.

Our domestic science department taught by Mrs. N. D. Williams, has done good work. All the girls have been taught to prepare and serve meals and to keep a clean kitchen, lessons that are very necessary. Miss Goode who has charge of the boarding department, has been on the job throughout the year, teaching our students to bake bread, prepare vegetables and to do whatever cooking is necessary for the department.

Mrs. Eva C. Williams, who has charge of the laundry and the boys' barracks reports splendid work among the girls in the laundry. They have been taught to do their own work and they also do the boys' laundry and the laundry for the school. The boys' barracks are kept neat and clean and each boy is graded on the way his room is kept and these grades are read out in the dining hall at the end of each week. We are glad to report that none have had to be sent home for bad conduct.

So as we look back over our work, we feel that the Lord has been with us throughout the year.

Yours very truly,
R. P. WILLIAMS

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CANTON BEND

The work here goes on as usual. The departments, both literary and industrial are accomplishing the

results as planned. The sewing department has maintained its usual helpful interest during the year. The girls are enthusiastic and are learning to do their sewing. Of course, the classes change as some go out, others come in; this keeps new ones for training each year.

The usual plan is followed. First different stitches and then some work on just the simplest kind of sewing. As they acquire better use of the needle they learn to do other kinds of sewing. By the time they have finished the eighth grade, they make their dresses, etc.

The same plan is followed in the domestic department. When the girls are in the seventh or eighth grade, they are prepared to prepare a meal. Just plain every day cooking is stressed.

We feel that the school, and the community work we are able to do, are accomplishing good results. I think there is no student above the second grade that has not become a Christian some time during the years he or she has attended the school. Most of the children become Christians during their first years at school.

The Juniors and young people hold their weekly meetings on Wednesday afternoon, so all the children may be present at the meetings. They take part and all are thus helped.

During the week of special meetings, twenty or more made profession, and eleven were baptized and joined the Church here. We rejoice to see the children come into our Church, as we can have them to instruct during the school days and on Sabbath as well.

I came here thirty-one years ago, and have had the opportunity of seeing the changes that have been brought about through the instrumentality of the work here. We are grateful to you for making the work possible, and we are also thankful to our Saviour for directing us in the work.

We are, thus, closing the year with the usual good results.

Yours truly,
J. N. COTTON

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MILLER'S FERRY NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL MILLER'S FERRY, ALA.

We are sending as requested an account of the work of the various departments for this year.

The work as a whole has been going on smoothly and great interest has been shown by both instructors and students. We shall, however, let each Department speak for itself.

Mrs. Wilmer, Matron of the Young Men and Boys of Johnson Hall reports that she has thirty-three in the Hall—twenty-five of whom are in the High School Department. She finds that they are fine young men and respond well to the training that she and others try to give. Visitors are much impressed with the neat appearance and general conduct of our young men. They are ever ready to take part in Christian work— the Y. M. C. A., Y. P. C. U., S. S. and the mid-week prayer service. During the annual Evangelistic services the young men took a very active part in trying to lead one of their number to Christ. This young man had come from a non-Christian home and did not know what it really meant to be

a Christian. The young men, too, are very active in athletics and Miller's Ferry has always had the record of having a good base-ball team and this year is no exception. The Matron states further that she has enjoyed her work and that the group of young men has seemed more like a large family than a Boarding Department. She appreciates the bathroom very much and the young men enjoy their shower baths. The young men take great pleasure in keeping their rooms clean and most of them bring pretty articles from home to beautify these rooms.

Mrs. Sims, Matron of the girls at Porter Hall has had an enrollment of thirty-one girls. Nearly all of these are in the High School Department. The girls appreciate greatly the steam heat and the bathrooms and laundry. These comforts have done much in preserving the health of the girls. This spring the different classes have planted flowers. This not only beautifies the surroundings but helps to show the girls how to make their own homes more beautiful. Visitors admire the entire building and they are especially pleased with the way the girls keep their rooms. Ten of the girls are in the Senior Class. They say they hate to leave but will be boosters for their school and get other girls to come under its influence.

The dining room of Porter Hall is a fine place for the social occasions that are held from time to time. Both faculty and students join in these with zest for the social side of life must be developed and school should be the proper place to teach the student the right way to socialize.

The Boarding Department is located in Porter Hall. Miss Fannie O. Parker, the Superintendent writes that the work has been done well and cheerfully by the girls this year. A regular schedule of work is followed and thus the work is carried on with ease. Meals are prepared for nearly eighty persons daily. They also take care of visiting baseball teams during the spring season. This year the work has been easier than others because of the convenience of having the water system in operation. The members of the different tables take turns on Saturday nights in giving current news of the week.

From the Domestic Science Department, with Miss P. B. Banks, Instructor, we have the following: Theory and Practice are given to girls of eighth grade, first, second and fourth year high school classes. Each girl gets both. The practice work is gained by preparing supper five nights a week for the teachers in the boarding department. Occasionally throughout the year a special Faculty Supper is given when all members of the Faculty are present. Thus the girls get training in the different kinds of serving. Different kinds of vegetables, meats, desserts, salads, breads, etc. have been prepared this year. Special training in laundering table linen has been given this year.

Miss N. L. Barlow, in charge of Dressmaking Department reports a very successful year. She has been able to interest a number in the sewing who did not like it at first. Over sixty-five articles have been made. These include bedroom sets, aprons, dresses, middies, etc. The girls have

received a great deal of training in the different stitches and especially in making the button-hole. All girls from the eighth grade through the fourth year high school class report daily. Average attendance is thirty-five. The ten girls of the Senior Class are now busy making their dresses for Commencement. That is one of the requirements that each Senior girl make her own clothes for graduation. The Department has been practically self-supporting due in a large measure to the gifts of material sent in by kind friends. These gifts are much appreciated.

Mrs. C. B. Simpson Instructor in the Plain Sewing Department reports that she has seventy-one girls this year from the third grade through the seventh. The girls are taught different kinds of stitches and do model work in all classes. Special stress is placed always on the rudiments of sewing. The girls are also taught simple patching and darning. They have made articles to be used in the home such as pillow cases, sheets, dresser scarfs, pillow tops, etc. Some of the seventh grade girls have made plain dresses and other garments. Along with the plain sewing the girls are taught some embroidery work. Basketry was quite an interesting addition this year. Table mats, work baskets, etc. have been neatly and well made. We certainly appreciate the remnants sent by Northern friends. These have been used to good advantage. We are going to be able not only to close the year free from debt but shall have a balance to our credit.

The Robinson Memorial Hospital has been as always a great boon to campus and community. Mrs. N. J. Rhea is in charge. Through the prompt treatment given there, many serious cases of sickness have been averted. One of the members of our church, an elderly woman nearly ninety years of age, spent her last weeks in the hospital under the careful attention of the Superintendent and the nurses in training. Sister Caroline, as every-one called her, lived with an afflicted son. The nurses from the hospital visited her twice daily before she was brought to the hospital in September where she remained until her death six weeks later.

Two or three of the community women have lessons in practical nursing each week. They have been able to go into their neighbors' homes in times of illness and have rendered valuable service. The girls in training are often called to Camden and elsewhere and the physician in charge and patients report excellent care given. One of the boarding young men had a slight case of pneumonia last winter but prompt and efficient treatment kept it from being serious. Mrs. Rhea writes that the hospital certainly appreciates the generous donations of supplies of bed linen, towels, curtains, tea towels, etc., that came from Knoxville College hospital and from friends. The water system is a great convenience in kitchen and bathrooms. The use of coal provides comfortable wards and rooms for their patients. It is much better than wood for this purpose. The hospital had some chickens and a garden this spring so it will be able to furnish nourishing food for its patients. They greatly appreciate

the new range in the kitchen. One girl will receive her certificate this spring.

We hope that you can gain from the above reports a little idea of the work done this year and the interest shown. Each person has tried to make her department a little better than it was last year. This improvement will no doubt continue from year to year.

Sincerely,
C. S. SIMPSON

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ANNUAL REPORT FROM KNOXVILLE COLLEGE

The past year has been a very happy one. Through and through we have had a finer spirit on our campus during the school year just closing than we have had for a long time. Students have apparently been happy, and they have showed a fine spirit of co-operation with the faculty and other workers. We like to see our students happy and contented for they will do their finest work if they are in such a spirit.

We have had on the campus this year six workers supported by the Women's Board. We are grateful for them. Our dropping the grammar school work has necessitated dropping the sewing teacher in that department. Miss Anna Weir had charge of that work for several years. We were very sorry to lose her as she was not only efficient in her teaching work, but she belongs to the finest type of Christian womanhood and always had a wholesome influence upon all who came in contact with her.

During the early part of the year we had to shift your workers just a little to take care of an emergency. Mrs. Carrie Best of Washington, Pa. who came to take charge of our boarding department last fall became ill and found it necessary to give up the work. Temporarily we shifted Miss Myrta McVey, matron of the McDill Home, into this position and secured Miss Harriet Kerr, formerly librarian here, for the work in McDill. Later in the year we secured Miss Bertha Lash from the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago to become superintendent of the boarding department. Miss Kerr was then relieved and Miss McVey again took up her work at McDill Home. During the latter part of the year all have been in their places, and the work has moved along very nicely.

BOARDING DEPARTMENT

The boarding department is not the least important department of the institution. Students cannot do their best work unless they have sufficient wholesome food, properly prepared. Miss Lash has done exceedingly fine work in this department. She has had extensive work along the line of dietetics, physical culture, etc., and applied her training to the situation. She also has the happy faculty of keeping everybody in good spirits, so essential in a dining hall. Practically all the work of preparing and serving meals is done by the student girls. All of them have done one hour of work each day under the direction of the superintendent, and thirty of them have made extra money to apply on their school accounts. Last Christmas day all the members of the faculty, with their families, were entertained in the col-

lege dining hall. A large April-fool birthday cake recently added some good cheer to the dining hall too.

We are sorry Miss Lash cannot return next year. She has had some trouble with her hearing and feels she will have to seek a change of climate.

DORMITORIES

Three of your workers are matrons of our three dormitories.

Miss Bertha Ball is in Elnathan Hall. This is our dormitory for older girls. 103 different girls, ranging in age from sixteen to twenty-three, have been in the hall this year. On account of sickness, death in their families, or for financial reasons, a few have had to drop out through the year. Eight young women who found it necessary to drop out on account of financial circumstances were placed in responsible homes in the city. Peace, loyalty and harmony in the hall this year have been exceptional considering the large number of girls thrown so closely together.

Miss Myrta McVey has charge of the younger girls in the McDill Home. Young women in this home have come from all parts of the country, north, east, south, and west. The environments out of which these young women have come differed quite materially, but all are on a level in the Home and a fine democratic spirit prevails. The girls in McDill range in age from fourteen to seventeen. The matron and the girls in the hall are grateful for the new dishes provided, and the repapering recently done by the Board.

The matron of McCulloch Hall, the dormitory for the young men, is Miss Jennie Robertson. Approximately ninety young men have been in the hall during the year. Six of them will graduate from the college department this year. All of these six expect sooner or later to continue their studies in the university or professional school. To provide necessary funds, however, it may be necessary for some of them to take up other work temporarily. One of the graduates this year will enter the ministry, two will enter medical college, one will train for social service. The majority of the boys in the hall are doing some extra work on the campus to provide for their school expenses.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Domestic Science is one of the important departments. Whatever else the young women become or do not become, most of them some time will be home makers. Three classes in the Academy and one in the College have been carried through the year. Their laboratory work consists chiefly in preparing special meals for the faculty in Wallace Hall. The work of the department has centered around this slogan, "Three meals a day for the ordinary American family." The teacher in charge of the department, Miss Anna Rutherford, says "It was remarkable the interest all the students manifested in the first pieces of equipment your appropriation afforded us. As other pieces arrived their interest increased, till we felt justified in telling them they might have a kitchen party, each girl inviting a guest and serving him or her refreshments that necessitated the use of the new fixtures we were glad to display."

SEWING

Miss Carolyn Perrin carries the work in sewing. The classes this year have been larger than before. The total enrollment for the four classes has averaged about sixty-five for the three terms during the year.

The girls are apparently interested in this work for they often say that the hours in the sewing room pass too quickly. This spring for the first the girls have done some fabric painting in connection with costume designing in one class. A display of this work together with dresses, undergarments, and household articles will be made as usual at the commencement season.

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HENDERSON, N. C.

The Domestic Science Department, under Miss Josie Warren, reports:

"As we review the year's work, we are gratified to feel that we have had a good year. We are hoping that it is not superficial, but that it has been good, in all that the term implies and that in the highest, truest and best sense the lives of our girls have been enriched and ennobled. We have endeavored to emphasize the things that mean most in their home life.

For their practical work, we followed the same plans as years before, some of the classes prepared dinner for the teachers. This gives them splendid practice work. In the preparation of the meals we have stressed those things that are practical for the average home.

In addition, to the very practical things, we have included a few fancy dishes so that they may have a chance to know and appreciate the beautiful. Of course, every opportunity is taken to show that food should always be served as attractively as possible, so that it may be pleasing to the eye as well as the palate. We have made many dishes but I have not checked them up.

I am enclosing a check for $25.00 which I am hoping will be of some little service in some way. We have had a good deal of breakage and of course, there is the usual wear and tear on utensils, so I was compelled to buy some things this year. I am hoping at some future time to be able to send more."

The Sewing Department, under Mrs. Rachel Tarter, reports the following:

"In my endeavor to write about our work, I realize, as never before how difficult has been the task, and how unsatisfactory the results. Money has been scarce. Cotton failed to bring a living price. Our people have made sacrifices to keep their children in school.

I had a conversation with the Jeane's Fund Worker of our county regarding our work. She said, "Do not be discouraged, I am in a position to know the great strain the colored people of this country have lived under this winter. I wonder just how they have managed to keep so many children in school." But a mother who had been through the experience, said 'I do without what I need, and the children at home do the same.' "

The enrollment has been large. It was necessary to make a division in some of the classes because they were too large to come at the same time. Have enrolled 80 in my department.

As you know, they are required to

furnish their own material. This year they have had so little money that it has been a difficult task to keep them busy in a systematic way. They have had a great deal of experience in making over and remodeling. The small income from the still smaller number of special students has kept us out of debt and we are coming to the close with a small balance. We are thankful that it has been no worse. The girls now are very busy making their summer clothes."

JUBILEE HOSPITAL

There were 299 patients admitted during the year. Of these, 89 were office patients, 110 medical, 63 surgical and 17 obstetrical cases. Of the latter classification, two were Caesarean operations. One was successful, but the other was not. Of the surgical cases, 4 were Historectomy, 20 appendectomy, and 10 tonsillectomy, and 6 fractures. $4439.82 was collected from the patients during the year, and the expenses for the year were $4759.58. These do not include, light, coal, telephone bills and some repair work. These were met by the Board. There are 7 nurses on the roll and 12 patients in the hospital at the time this report was forwarded. No needy patient is turned away from the hospital, ever, on account of lack of funds. The Duke Endowment Fund takes care of some of this free work and the remainder is met by the Board.

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THYNE INSTITUTE

Chase City, Virginia

The work at Thyne Institute has been very interesting to our new teacher, Miss Etherl Mae Thompson. She has had many new experiences and has learned many new things. Her conception of Negroes is very different from what it was before she taught among them. The girls in general are interested in the Domestic Science work and are the same as people of other races, in that they are fond of good things to eat. Along with the cooking, she has tried to teach economy and proper management in the preparation of meals.

Besides doing some cooking for the teachers, they have, on two days of the week, made things to sell to the students. Pie has been their specialty and the boys have done exceptionally well as customers. The girls have been given some training in serving, and the teachers' birthdays have given them practice. If you should come to visit us we should be glad to show this side of the work.

Although much of the teachers' time is spent in cooking, they have kept in mind the words of Jesus—"Is not the life more than meat and the body more than rainment?" This fact they impress on the minds of the girls, and high standards of living are maintained and emphasized. The new equipment provided in the beginning of the year has made the work more interesting and more efficient.

The sewing room has been busy where seventy-five girls have received instruction. 35 dresses have been made for themselves which reflect credit not alone on them, but also on their teacher, Miss Luella Tidball.

71 girls and 44 boys have been taken care of in the dormitory. On the whole, this has been a very successful year.

TOWNSVILLE, N. C.

312 students have been enrolled during the year, with an average attendance of 200, at Townsville. Many of the people have had a hard pull, but somehow, they have managed to keep their children in school, and the workers feel that they can look back over the year with a degree of satisfaction, in view of something attempted, and something done. It was a busy year and in many respects, one of the most successful in the history of the station.

The girls of the sewing department have demonstrated a fine spirit in their work and they seem more anxious about the quality of the work, than the quantity. In all of the religious activities, they are to be counted on, hence it is felt that the training they are receiving will be a great asset to their race some day. Evidences are already seen in their transformed lives and homes.

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In view of these reports, we humbly acknowledge the progress made, with gratitude to Him Who has promised that if we acknowledge Him in all our ways and lean not unto our understanding, He will direct our paths.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ADA KERR WILSON
Freedmen's Secretary

THE TEACHER

Lord, who am I to teach thy way
To little children day by day,
So prone myself to go astray?

I teach them knowledge, but I know
How faint they flicker and how low
The candles of my knowledge glow.

I teach them Power to will and do,
But only now to learn anew
My own great weakness through and through.

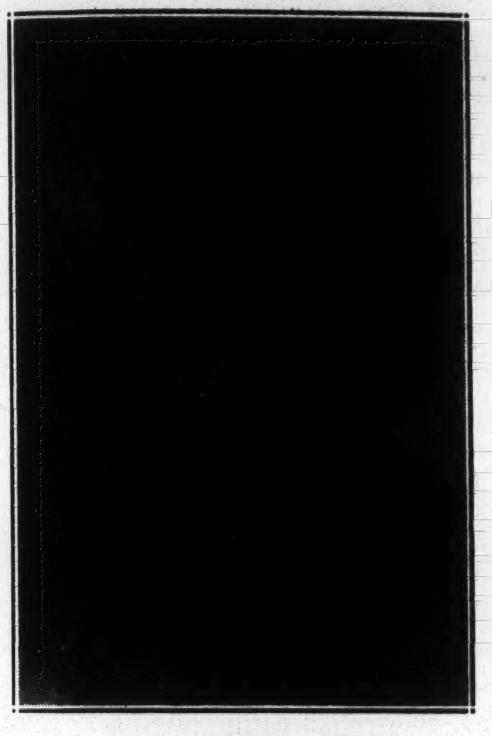
I teach them Love for all mankind
And all God's creatures, but I find
My love comes lagging far behind.

Lord, if their guide I still must be,
Oh, let the little children see
The Teacher leaning hard on Thee.

—Leslie Pickney Hill, Negro Poet.

REPORT OF

AMERICAN INDIAN MISSION



MRS. J. FRENCH KERR
Indian Secretary

TAMA, IOWA

THIS year has been a very agreeable and encouraging one, in that the Indians have taken a large part in the Mission Work. Edward Davenport and George Youngbear have been teaching the Sabbath School lessons to their classes in the Musquakie language. Edward is our Primary teacher. He has twenty boys and girls in his class under twelve years of age. It is most interesting to see how these little ones hang on his every word. He teaches in the Indian and English both, explaining the meaning of each word in their own language, thus giving the little fellows a splendid lesson in English as well. Edward and George are both graduates of the Haskell Institute at Lawrence, Kansas, which is equivalent to a High School education. They both speak English correctly. They all seem to enjoy singing very much and there is a marked improvement in the singing. Mrs. Smith teaches the women's class, while I keep a general supervision. George Youngbear teaches the men and interprets during the preaching service. We blend the two services —have an order of service all our own, spend a half hour in the Praise service, then have the Sabbath School classes followed by the preaching service, closing with the Secretary's reports and distributing literature. There seems to be a better understanding between the Missionaries and Indians than ever before. The roads have been almost impassable at times but the Indians come to church anyway, trudge through the mud and carry their babies. The babies are receiving much better care and we never see any more little naked boys.

There were four infant baptisms, ten adult baptisms and five deaths. Two of these had Christian funerals from the Chapel. One was buried in the cemetery in Tama.

We have sent personal letters to all who have so kindly donated food and money for our Christmas dinner and treat, also to those who have sent comforts and clothing for the old and sick.

The funerals mentioned in this report were all Christian funerals. There were fourteen deaths on the Reservation and I took a part in all the funerals. The Indians seem to

appreciate the flowers we give in the name of the Mission.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. SMITH

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SIMNASHO, OREGON

We cannot help but wonder a little how God views the service we have rendered Him. We have so little in the way of achievement to put forward. Yet we remember that Christ said of Mary of Bethany "She hath done what she could" and we are perfectly willing to leave our case in His hands too.

During the year we have held 52 Sabbath services with an average attendance of 22.4. We have made 516 visits in the homes of the Indians, and we have been present at ten funerals.

We held evangelistic meetings from May 19 to 27. Rev. James Dickson, a full blood Indian of the Nez Perces tribe, was the evangelist. A number of Christian Indians from Idaho and Pendleton, Oregon were present. Five confessed Christ at these meetings.

On May 25 the dedication of the new community house took place. The Rev. W. A. Spalding, pastor of the First U. P. Church, Albany, Ore., had charge of this service. Dr. Spaulding, accompanied by Mrs. Spaulding, Mr. C. E. Sox, an attorney and Mrs. Sox, made the long trip from Albany that he and the other members of the party might give what help and encouragement they could to the workers here. About 150 were present at this service. At noonday a dinner was served to all who were present.

Prior to the meetings at Simnasho we spent a week on the Umatilla reservation assisting in meetings there. We made the trip in the car, taking two of our Christian Indians along. During these meetings five confessed Christ.

During the twelve summers we have spent in this field we have never seen so little work done by the Indians as was done during the summer of 1926. The whole season seemed to be given over to celebrations at home and abroad. A great many of the Indians trekked over the mountains to Portland the last days of June and did not return for three weeks. They celebrated the fourth of July there. The fourth of July was celebrated at the "long house" here from June 30 to August 14. In addition to these there were celebrations galore lasting one, two, and three days. The result was, the farms produced nothing and consequently the Indians have lived in the greatest poverty all winter. No effort was made by those in charge to lessen the number or duration of these celebrations, and certainly no effort was made to induce the Indians to do the work necessary to make their farms produce. Our Indians have never received less supervision than they are receiving at the present time. What is needed here just now is a wise head and a firm hand at the helm.

On Christmas morning we held a communion service. All the Christian Indians in good standing except one partook of the elements. At noon a Christmas dinner was served in the community house. The Christian Indians and others to the number of 41 had been invited. Before the affair was over however 117 had been fed.

Throughout the year parties for the young people have been given at regular intervals.

We desire to thank all who have in any way assisted us in our work during the year. We earnestly desire the prayers of God's people for ourselves, for our work, and for our needy people.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. MATTHEWS

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WARM SPRINGS, OREGON

One naturally thinks much could and should be done in a year's time. We are thankful for many blessings. Of these we will mention three.

First. That the health of the people and the missionaries has been so well preserved during the year. We have had very little sickness on our part of the reservation. The health of the children has been remarkably good. No one has had to drop out on account of ill health. Therefore we have had no interruption in our work among them.

Second. For the opportunity of holding up the crucified, risen and exalted Redeemer before these people for another year. We can truthfully say that we have never tried more faithfully and kindly to show the love of Christ in becoming the Saviour of sinners. Not only His willingness to save all who will accept His offers of mercy, but how he pleads in his word, blessings and providential dealings with the sinner to come unto Him for *Life.*

Third. Last May we held evangelistic meetings. About two dozen came forward and expressed a desire to live a new life. A number of these were re-professions. Some of the children finished their school work here last year and are no longer with us. In November, ten of those still here confessed Christ and united with the church. We are thankful for the stand these have taken. We hope and pray they may remain faithful and grow up into useful lives for Christ. The children here come not only from this reservation but from along the Columbia River, Eastern Oregon and the state of Washington. When they leave here it means in the majority of cases not only to re-enter Christless homes, but to live in communities where the gospel is not heard. We cannot help feeling that unless the plan of salvation is instilled into their minds and hearts by the time they leave us, when completing the sixth grade work, they may never be brought under the saving influence of Jesus.

The work of the past year has been very pleasant. The Indians, both adult and children, have been very friendly. Last Christmas the Indians were made happy by the many different things sent them by societies and individuals. We tried to impress upon those present that the gifts were sent because the Saviour had come into the hearts of the givers and that those people desired the Indians to receive the hope and goodness of God's Christmas Gift.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. BARR

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From the review of the history, progress, and needs of the American Indian compiled by the Board of Indian Commissioners, we quote the following: "No accurate census of the Christian Indian population has

ever been made. The best available statistics can be nothing more than estimates. The Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions estimates the Roman Catholic Indian population at about 100,000. The twenty-five Prostestant denominations interested in Indian missions estimate that their members and adherents number about 80,000."

There is apparently a lamentable state of ignorance upon the subject of Indian Missions. Let us strenuously prosecute a program of enlightenment and awakening in our church, as to our responsibility to our Indians. We are told the Indian has a very decided religious nature, and when we take away the old customs, his heathen songs and his old superstitions, it is up to us to put something in place of these things. The church people owe a special debt to the American Indian. It is not a gratuity to help them, but merely paying a just debt when we bring them help.

"God has so ordered that men being in need of each other, should learn to love each other, and bear each other's burdens."

MRS. J. FRENCH KERR,
Indian Secretary

INDIAN MISSIONS

April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927

Credit Balance April 15, 1926		$4487.82
RECEIPTS		
By		
Presbyterials	$6159.31	
Warmspring Cong.	42.00	
Camden Mission	15.00	
Friends	2.50	
Thank-Offering	1000.00	$ 7218.81
		$11706.63
DISBURSEMENTS		
To		
Salaries	$4375.00	
Sabbath School Periodicals	230.18	
Convention Expenses ..	58.50	
Premium	249.20	
Furnishings, repairs and labor	198.14	
Coal and Light	240.77	
Christmas gift to Tama as designated	50.00	
Expense of Com. to Indian Conv.	50.00	
Drugs for Tama	59.24	
Sick and needy	100.00	
Interpreter	53.00	
Communion Set	11.06	
Films and trip to Traer	37.00	
Refund	4.00	$ 5716.09
Credit Balance April 15, 1927		$5990.54

INDIAN MISSIONS N. W. M.

April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927

Credit Balance April 15, 1926	$639.83
Receipts	60.87
Total	$700.70
DISBURSEMENTS	
To Furnishing Community Center, Simnasho	50.84
Credit Balance April 15, 1927	$649.86

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, the Indian population increased 2,693. The total number of Indians in the United States is 349,595, a gain of 18,976 during the last twelve years. Oklahoma leads with 120,163; and in fifteen other states the number is above 5,000.

REPORT OF

HOME DEPARTMENT

MRS. WM. S. COOK
Home Secretary

THE reports from the various mission stations show that there is much that is decidedly encouraging. There are signs of progress in every department of the work.

The religious aspect of the work is, of course, that which calls for the principal place. It is most encouraging to know that all workers reported an increase in members in both Sabbath School and church, over that of last year.

The six workers among the Aliens have in addition to their work in Sabbath School and church, conducted mothers' meetings, sewing classes, Week Day Bible Schools, Boys' and Girls' Clubs, taught classes in English and music, and helped in all lines of church work. Many portions of Scripture have been given free, and Bibles and New Testaments given for prizes and sometimes sold.

Mrs. Baulducci, missionary in St. Peters Italian United Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. reports an accession of ten to the church.

Mrs. Anthony Caliandro is the missionary in The Church of the Redeemer (Italian United Presbyterian) West New York, N. J. This congregation will soon dedicate a new house of worship right in the very heart of the town, among a population of several thousand Italians. While some have confessed Christ, many are waiting until they enter their own house of worship before confessing Him in public.

Mrs. Maude Morrison, Westland Mission, Hickory, Pa. Seven united with the church. The Y. P. C. U. paid its dollar per member to the K. O. M. A. fund, twenty-five dollars to pastor's salary and twenty dollars to other funds. Seventy dollars was given by the Women's Missionary Society.

Miss Dora Cowden, Southview Mission, Hickory, Pa. Four attended Sabbath School every Sabbath during the year. Two united with the Church. Miss Ida Scott, M. D. had charge of this misssion for three months, during a leave of absence of Miss Cowden.

Miss Grace Welch works in two fields, Langeloth and Slovan, near Burgettstown, Pa. There have been five accessions to the church and twenty new members in the Sabbath School.

The Y. P. C. U. organized at Slovan one year ago, has increased from a membership of twelve to

twenty-five. The congregation at Langeloth will soon dedicate a new house of worship.

Mrs. Mary Cianco was appointed to the Second Italian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., and began work September the first. She has organized Boys' and Girls' Clubs, a week day Bible Class, and a Cottage Prayer meeting, one night each week. An average attendance of forty at Sabbath School and twenty at Y. P. C. U.

Mrs. E. C. Little, who was the successful missionary in the First Italian Church, Los Angeles for four years, resigned in October. The people were so well trained, that many of their number were able to "carry on" when she left.

Our City Missionaries have worked in Mansfield, Ohio, Gary, Indiana, Fourth Church, Spokane, Washington, and Stewart Memorial, San Francisco, Cal.

Miss Ella Montgomery began work in East Mansfield, Ohio, three years ago with forty children and three adults in the Sabbath School. The average attendance for this year, seventy-four and for the last three months of the year, one hundred eight. Then, three teachers; now twelve classes equipped with good teachers. A Young People's Class of twenty and a Bible Class of twelve. In addition to these, a Home Department of twenty-four. An average attendance at midweek prayer meeting of ten. Offerings of Sabbath School $227.50. Junior offerings $15.00.

Forty-two Sabbath evening services were held with an average attendance of twenty-two. Offerings $268.86. We close the year with a membership of twenty-eight.

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." "Hope in the Lord from henceforth." It was with these heartening Scriptures in mind that Miss Sarah Loucks began work in Gary, Indiana, one year ago, and she writes "Not one good thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake." "These twelve months have witnessed outpourings and ingatherings outdistancing anything for which we had dared to hope."

A prayer meeting of three has grown to two well supported weekly Cottage Prayer meetings. The enrollment in the beginners department has increased from twenty to forty. A Teacher's Training Class of students, eighteen or more in number, are fitting themselves for fuller Kingdom service.

The present enrollment in the Women's Missionary Society of forty-seven, is double that of last year. The Thank Offering is also double that of last year. Not a few of the 93 new members received into the church, came from the Sabbath School. Communicant's classes are proving potent factors in the enlargement of intelligent church membership.

In 1919 Miss Laura Sawhill began work in Fourth Church, Spokane, Washington, with only five present the first Sabbath. Present enrollment one hundred and forty. Sixty one new members received during the year. Five united with the church the past year. The Women's Circle has twenty-two members. During these eight years thirty-nine have been received into the church. Twenty-five have received baptism.

Present membership, fifteen. Through the different organizations the missionary is in touch with eighty families. The offerings total $293.00.

For the past year Miss Theresa Lippert has given half time to the work in Stewart Memorial Church, San Francisco, California. During the year and after a Stated Supply was on the field, some new features were introduced, such as—A Junior Church, a Young Ladies' Club, and a communicants' class. Not the least has been a great increase in attendance at the mid week prayer meeting —thirty percent of the church enrollment attending. Present enrollment in the Sabbath School one hundred and fifty-two. An increase of thirty over last year. A pastor now being in charge, Miss Lippert closes her work with this report.

DEAF MUTES

Mrs. F. C. Metcalf has continued to interpret the sermon every Sabbath to all deaf who attend the Church of the Stranger, Portland, Oregon. Twenty-three deaf persons are members of this congregation, and eighteen are in the Sabbath School. Over one hundred and eighty dollars was paid on pledges. Thirty-seven dollars of this was for missions. These people have pledged seven hundred and fifty dollars to the building fund for the new church.

MISSIONARIES IN PRESBYTERIES
COLORADO PRESBYTERY

Miss Elizabeth McMillan has worked in Canon City, Bristol, Colorado Springs and Pueblo during the past year, giving three months to each.

During the three months spent in Canon City, nineteen confessed Christ and united with the Church. Eighteen new members were added to the Sabbath School roll.

Bristol is a country congregation, which does not mean much to anyone in these automobile days, except to the missionary who has to walk in the hot sun. A Daily Vacation Bible school was conducted during the month of June, some of the boys and girls coming over four miles to attend. Two weeks revival meetings were planned in connection with another congregation in the village. Five prayer-meetings each week were held in different homes and in the churches for one month before the evangelist came, and two every morning during the revival services. A wonderful blessing was received. God never fails to answer prayer. Many sought and found the Saviour, and united with the churches.

During the three months spent in Colorado Springs twenty persons confessed Christ and united with the church.

Coming to Pueblo December first was like coming home, having served here a few years ago. The work has gone forward. In February twenty-three new members were received, eighteen by profession of faith and five by certificate. The ordinance of baptism was administered to six adults and five children. In March, four more names were added to the church roll.

A tabulated report of Miss McMillan's year's work would read as follows:—

New S. S. Scholars	58
Uniting with the church	82
Meetings conducted	64

Meetings attended	286
Calls made, over	1846

PUGET SOUND PRESBYTERY

Miss Faye Taylor reports as follows:

Number of Congregations in which work was done	4
New members for S. S.	25
Received into the church	7
Meetings led	22
Number of calls	478
Increase in offerings	$20

LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY

Mrs. J. P. Tracy, owing to ill health, was only on duty for a few months during the past year. This time was given to the new work, Occidental Church, Los Angeles.

The pastor, Dr. Kennedy has combined the Sabbath School and morning worship in one service. The closing exercises of the Sabbath School, when all gather in the church auditorium, being the opening exercises of the church services. Some whole classes stay for the church service. Bible Songs No. 4 is used in congregational singing. The Sabbath School has reached an enrollment of 230. The Thank-Offering amounted to $210.

Mrs. Tracy was granted one year's leave of absence to recuperate. Before that time had expired, she felt able for part time duty, and at the request of Los Angeles Presbytery, the Board acquiesced, and Presbytery has assigned her to the new work at Beverly Hills, California, where she began work April first.

EZEL, KENTUCKY

The Ezel Mission School is closing its third year of work. The past year has been one of continuous growth. Although the sun has been obscured by clouds much of the time yet there have been few clouds and much of sunshine in the work. There is something about this mountain work that grips the heart of the worker, and makes one grateful for the privilege of having a part in it. We would bear grateful testimony to the devotion and loyalty of our staff of workers. They have not only rendered a service of a high order in the school room but also in all the Church activities. They have brightened many a home by their presence and have brought comfort and good cheer to the sick. Our staff of teachers was increased by three this year, an additional teacher in High School, one in the grades and a teacher of music. The teaching force is as follows: Ist and 2nd grades, Miss Martha Wright, 3rd and 4th grades Miss Gladys Gray, 5th and 6th grades Miss Ruth Roberts, 7th and 8th grades Miss Ruth Bemis, High School Miss Elizabeth Duff, Miss Helen Weede, Howard M. Brittain, Miss Esther Dill teacher of Music. We have this year in addition to the eight grades, four years of High School work. Arrangements are being made to give our High School Grade "A" on the state's accredited list. Our school enrollment shows a steady increase. The full enrollment has been 140 with 30 in High School as compared to 5, two years ago. One of the outstanding events of the year has been the building and dedication of our new school building. This splendid building adjoins the Teachers' Home and faces the Church property. The building consists of six class rooms and an office on the first floor, a large gymnasium, and

rooms for manual training and domestic science in the basement. A large attic will provide additional rooms when needed. The dedication of this building on November 6th brought joy to the entire community. This is easy to understand when you compare this beautiful new building with its comfort and convenience to the small two room building that housed the school children in years gone by. It means much to our school that the funds which made this building possible were provided by the boys and girls of our Junior Societies.

Preparations for the coming commencement season are well along as these notes. are being written. Beginning with the baccalaureate service May 8th the program will continue through Commencement Day May 13th. Ezel graduates her first High School class, Miss Elza Sradling, the daughter of the local physician being the first graduate. Eight will complete the grammar course.

The Church at Ezel has had a year of real progress, eighteen were received into our Church, fifteen by profession of faith, three by letter with fourteen adult baptisms, the membership reported this year being 81, a net gain over last year of 18. There has been a steady development in the grace of giving. The contributions last year were to the Budget $250, Specials abroad $130, Special at Home $15, outside the denomination $10, Women's Work $188 of which $150 was to the Thank-Offering, Pastor's Salary by Congregation $75, congregational expenses $283, total $951. Of this amount over $600 was contributed for missionary purposes. The Sabbath School enrollment is 130, Women's Missionary Society 20, Kings Daughters 18, Juniors 37, Christian Union Society 43. The Christian Union Society in addition to paying the National and Presbyterial assessments, contributed $10 to the Special Object Fund and $50 toward the support of an orphan in Fowler Orphanage, Cairo, Egypt. The society studied this winter "Facts and Folks in our Fields Abroad" followed by the illustrated lecture on the book. Our Society expects to send a good delegation to the coming Presbyterial convention to be held in June at Stanton, Kentucky. One of the new features of the work has been the introduction of weaving. Through the generosity of two friends, four looms were purchased and the ladies and young ladies are making beautiful rugs and linen pieces for sale. In addition to those sold many of the ladies have made rugs for their own homes. We expect this industry to develop until it becomes not only a means of livlihood for our women and young women but a source of financial help for the mission.

In addition to the weaving the women meet at least twice a month to make the tufted spreads for sale. Over $100 was realized from the sale of these spreads last year which provided the material for a new sidewalk to the Church. The women are now raising money to pay for a new sidewalk from the new school to the Home. The attendance at all the Church services has been fine in spite of the almost impassable roads.

Ezel is to have the honor of sending a lay delegate to the meeting of our General Assembly in the person of Mr. Ellis Ward, our efficient Sabbath School Superintendent and Clerk of Session.

HOWARD M. BRITTAIN,
Superintendent

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRENCHBURG MISSION

Another page is filled in the record of the years at Frenchburg. Before we file it in the cabinet of memory or consign it to the waste basket of oblivion, as the case may be, we submit it for review to the Church that has initiated and fostered this mountain mission in the Cumberlands of Kentucky.

It may refresh the memory of some and come with force of news to others, to rehearse a statement to the physical equipment now in possession of the Women's Board for their work at Frenchburg. We have here, roughly speaking, 160 acres of land, much of it in hillsides and "hill benches" but some few valuable acres in the valley of Beaver Creek. This land was originally in three or more different properties but by our purchase and original donation has been consolidated into one. At one end of this tract, the Eastern, lies the beautiful campus of the school, where our chief buildings, with the exception of the church range themselves in a great semicircle against the bordering hills. At the Western end of the tract, separated from the school by a large hill, part wooded and part under cultivation, stand the buildings of the farm group, glistening in their white paint. The Garrett Highway, the State and Federal Aid road now under construction, unites the two groups of buildings, the school and the farm, by circling gracefully about the base of the above mentioned hill. The farm now possesses eight new buildings of the various types necessary for diversified agriculture. The farm home is a six room cottage, completely remodeled by the Board and equipped with Arcola heat, bath, running water, and electric lights.

On the school campus we have five brick buildings—the school, the student dormitory, the hospital, the teacher's dormitory and the powerhouse. The new manual training shop, the engineer's cottage and several small buildings, used for storage and garage purposes, are of frame construction. Just across the creek from the campus, in the village proper, the school owns three large lots. On one of these stands the old church, soon to be turned to some other good purpose. On another rises the new United Presbyterian Church. On the third still stands the old district school building which accommodated the children of Frenchburg and vicinity before the Women's Board took up their work here in 1910. There are in all twenty-seven buildings, large and small, which make up the housing of the institution. Ten of these, at least, are of major importance in the prosecution of our work. A minimum estimate would place the value of these improvements at $175,000.

We have this year enrolled in the elementary department of the school 187 pupils, and in the High School

65 pupils. The elementary school enrollment is somewhat less than last year. This is due to a gradual depopulation of our county which goes steadily on. The industrial cities of southern and central Ohio are drawing our people from the worn out farms which have been "cropped" to death. The rural school population of Menifee County has decreased by five hundred in the last five years. The decrease is not so great in the Graded School district, but it is large nevertheless. There is, on the other hand, an increasing number of upper grade and High School pupils from year to year. This means that the interest in a higher education is becoming more widespread. We record with gratitude also the increasing tendency to stay in school until the term is over. There have been years when High School losses from "quitters" was fully thirty percent. This year it is not more than twelve per cent of enrollment. Increasing attention to the individual weaknesses of pupils, the introduction of vocational courses, and more stringent laws for certification of rural teachers—have all entered in this greater persistency in holding to the course until its completion. Remember that our school represents the entire secondary school work of the county. There is no other High School or even a graded school within the bounds of Menifee. Growth registered here is an indication of the increasing interest in education throughout this entire section. Our boys and girls are in many cases the better products of the upper grades of the rural schools. There are forty such schools within our bounds and they look to us, and to us alone, to take their more ambitious pupils and carry them on to larger fields of knowledge and opportunity. In these forty schools a large percentage of the teachers are former students and graduates of our institution. This ties us up very closely with the educational system of the county. Mr. G. I. Becraft, the County Superintendent, was at one time a student in the mission school and is very sympathetic with its aims and methods.

We are graduating seven girls this year, the largest class in the history of the school. Most of these girls have taken all their work here from the first grade to the Senior year of High School. They are seven of the most capable and cultured girls to be found in any school or any town.

A matter of peculiar interest to us is the great increase in the number of boarding pupils. Our student dormitory (you will recall that we have but one, with boys and girls in the same building) has been crowded to the bursting point, and we have had to ask Dr. Mitchell to permit us to put students in some of the hospital rooms which are not in use by patients. The dining room is crowded to the point of discomfort. This congestion points clearly to the next major need of our campus, a boys' dormitory. The present crowding of over seventy boys and girls of all ages into the same building for eating, sleeping and recreation creates a problem of untold difficulty for matrons and all who are in charge. It is the fervent hope of us who are on the field that a boys' dormitory, with an adequate gymnasium included, will in the near future take

its place among the other buildings of our institution.

In the school and class rooms we have a capable and cosmopolitan group of teachers, giving unstintedly of their time and talents to this intensely interesting but most exacting work. Prof. M. H. McDowell has had the school work under his charge, as Principal, for the past year. He moved from the farm to the campus in August 1926, and has in every way commended himself to his fellow workers and the students in his new office. He is a capable teacher and administrator, and is a fine spirit among the young people and his fellow townsmen of the community. His work among the young men in the school room, on the atheletic field, and in the Bible Class on the Sabbath, has been greatly appreciated by the teachers, the parents and the young men themselves. Mr. McDowell; in addition to his school duties, has maintained the business management of the farm during the year. In the school room he teaches Science, Pedagogy and part of the Mathematics. Miss Ruth Leet of West Chester, Iowa, has the High School English and History, Miss Thelma Porter of Spokane, Washington, the Domestic Science and Art, Mr. W. R. Tabb of Caneyville, Ky., the Vocational Agriculture and Shop Work and Mrs. Shear the Bible and part of the Mathematics. In the Elementary School Miss Sara Willson of Allerton, Iowa, has the Eighth Grade, Miss Bernice McDowell of Plain City, Ohio, the seventh grade, Miss Helen Chambers (filling out the year for Miss Helen Whitney, Garnett, Kansas) of New Castle, Pa., the sixth grade, Miss Lucile Garth of Trenton, Kentucky, the fifth grade, Miss Velma Oline, Sterling, Kansas, third and fourth grades, and Miss Edna Sutton, St. Clairsville, Ohio, the first and second grades. The Misses Mae and Margaret Beveridge have presided over the student dormitory in a way that commends them to us all as capable, cultured and self denying women. Their task is most difficult but they have brought to it a large measure of Christian grace and fortitude. Dr. Mitchell and Miss Myra Lawton, R. N. still carry on their valuable work at the hospital.

The past year has been marked by several new ventures which deserve mention to our interested friends. The first of these was the introduction into our curriculum of a full year course in vocational agriculture and shop work under the auspices of the Federal and State Governments, as provided for in the well know Smith-Hughes Act of Congress. Mr. W. R. Tabb, a practical young farmer, with an A. B. from a State Agricultural College in addition, began his work with us this year. He has instituted a very complete agricultural and shop program in the two upper grades and throughout the High School. Besides this he has organized and supervised throughout the winter four "4 H" agricultural clubs in as many sections of our county. In order to provide feasible farm projects for the boys who are boarding pupils, away from home, the school has erected chicken houses and equipment for raising several hundred chicks to maturity. Each boys rents the use of a chicken house and brooder from the school and takes the entire care of his own

flock, until they are ready either for market or for egg production. Boys who live at home care for their projects on their home farms.

With the coming of the new year of 1927 our plans matured for the installation of a printing plant. We can report at this time a very complete small outfit with facilities for printing almost any kind of ordinary job work, and a press large enough to handle a small monthly paper in the interest of the school. Two issues of this paper, "The Frenchburg Reporter" have already been sent out to the Presbyterial Officers of the W. G. M. S. The Ezel school cooperates in the editorship of this paper, assuming the responsibility for one page each month.

A third venture of the year has been along the line of athletics. Early in the winter the local Graded School Board, with whom the Mission Board works in closest harmony, deeded to the Women's Board the old district school building which lies just across the creek from our campus. Prof. Tabb conceived the idea of remodeling the old building into a basket ball court. With a group of student carpenters, he removed the partitions, raised the ceiling, installed electric light from our school system, and made a fairly satisfactory playing floor for our teams. Inspired by this new acquisition our school team ventured to enter the tournament against several other teams, some from the mountains and some from the Blue Grass. We were defeated but our experience was of the greatest value to us all.

The Church program has called for more attention than usual this year. We were all made glad a year ago when the Women's Board made known their plan to build a church at Frenchburg with the accumulated funds from the Life Directorships in the W. G. M. S. Since that day the work has gone steadily forward toward realization of their plans. A lot was bought and a house removed; extensive excavation followed; then basement walls eleven feet high and eighteen inches thick, constructed of native stone dug from our own school quarry, rose quickly from below ground to a suitable height above. On that excellent foundation Hamilton and Co., Contractors, have built a first class church, very complete and beautiful. They are rushing the final touches of the work as this is written, in order to have it ready for dedication on May 15.

The local congregation, though numbering only 96, and a large part of these students, has contributed a total of over $1700 to the furnishing of this new edifice and the purchase of the original lot. Friends of the work throughout the denomination have contributed art glass windows as memorials to friends or groups; local members and friends have furnished many of the articles of equipment such as baptismal bowl, collection plates, pulpit light, etc. The men of the Community Bible Class purchased the entire set of furniture for the pastor's study.

But the church growth which gives us most joy is the growth in the number of the redeemed. There has been a steady evangelistic effort on the part of the congregation throughout the winter, and God has blessed that

quiet, but faithful labor with fruit. Twenty-eight have been received into church fellowship by profession of faith, and eight by certificate.

We feel that there is a growth in the grace of giving among us also which may well be recorded, for the sake of those who prayed and labored in our behalf. We gave $400 to the budget, $135 to the conservation fund, $213 to Womens Work, including a Thank-Offering of $167. For the building fund and local expenses our contributions were $786. For the first time we began a measure of self support in the salary of the pastor, giving $100 for that purpose. With the completion of our Building Fund we now plan to assume a much larger measure of such self support. Indeed in the every member canvass, just completed, the congregation over subscribed a goal of $500 for pastor's salary and $400 for missions.

Paralleling the building of the new church, the growth in membership and the increase in generosity stands the enlargement of our session by the election and ordination of three splendid men of the village; Mr. John Ponder, Mr. H. T. Wigginton and Mr. Charles F. Clark.

We have added to our equipment as follows since our last report: at the hospital an Alpine Light for electric treatment; at the school, an agricultural laboratory isolated, furnished and equipped; a print shop isolated, furnished and equipped; a new Cello motion picture machine for educational and entertainment purposes; an Underwood rebuilt typewriter for the office; complete set of heavy duty Willard Storage batteries, replacing our old set which has had eleven years of hard service; two chicken houses with brooders; eleven new Simmons beds for the teacher's dormitory. At the farm we have added another chicken house to our equipment.

An exhaustive report of finances is submitted monthly to the Women's Board, hence it will not be necessary to reproduce that report here. Some of the larger items will be of general interest however, and we offer them. The treasurer of the Board has sent us this year $15,746.26 for salaries and $1858.87 for new equipment and painting buildings, a total of $17,605.-13 from Board sources. We have had the following local receipts: Board and tuition $5586.45; basket sales, $1,664. 49 (gross receipts); clothing sales, $2136.06; State, County and District school funds, $2,158.31; gifts from societies and individuals, mostly for scholarships, $1,517.03; sale of school supplies $505.96 Some of the chief items of expense are as follows: table provisions $4057.50; fuel and gas, $2391.94; school supplies, $1448.-95, freight $250.66, and supplies and repairs $879.00. We close the year with a total balance in all funds of $2829.84. Much of this is already designated but even so we have a small sum with which to continue the many sided task which is before us.

One other department that has ministered to the needs of the communities in which these two missions are located, is that of the second hand clothing department.

Through the kindness of friends throughout the church many have been provided with comfortable clothing at a nominal cost, and this

department also provides funds for the incidental expenses of the mission.

In addition to the clothing, many families received Christmas boxes containing something useful for each member of the family, and a toy for each child. We ask that you continue to remember this department of the work. We would not forget the S. A. Buck Scholarship of one thousand dollars, the income of which is to be used in helping worthy mountain boys and girls obtain a Christian education.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total receipts, including the Thank-Offering and Balance from last year	$55384.17
Disbursements	39509.65
To erection and equipment of school building at Ezel, Ky.	28170.88
To erection of Church at Frenchburg, Ky.	17540.00

The latter has not been completed. Two payments to be made when the building is accepted.

HOME MISSIONS N. W. M.

Total, including balance of last year	$7641.32
Disbursements	375.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WM. S. COOK,
Home Secretary

GUESS

By Bernice E. McDowell

In the heart of Old Kentucky
Buried deep, the hills between
There's a spot we've learned to cherish
Such a peaceful, quiet scene.

There's a creek winds round a campus
In this village picturesque;
There's a bridge to span the current;
Now its name you'll have to guess.

On the campus throng the students.
Gathered in from far and near;
Come to seek the haunts of learning;
Come with purpose fixed and clear.

"Deep in earnest" Say you? Watch them
When it's deep mud all the way,
Miles and miles they come on horseback
Starting long ere break of day.

"Deep in earnest?" Say you? Watch them
Tackle school-books with a will;
For there's mighty solid timber
In our students of the hill.

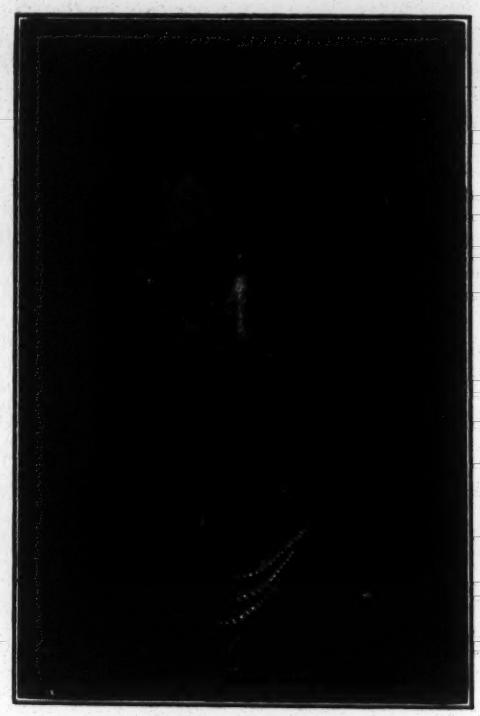
Oh, they're up to little capers;
Sometimes mischievious, 'tis true:
But you cannot help but love them
Once you know them through and through.

For we've found them open hearted,
And sincere in what they do;
We have found them staunch and sturdy,
And we like it—wouldn't you?

Though the years may separate us,
In fond memory we'll roam
Back to those we know in Frenchburg,
In our "Old Kentucky Home."

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927



MRS J. B. HILL
Treasurer

AS we look over the year just closed, and recount its manifold blessings, we are constrained to exclaim with the Psalmist: "Many, O Lord my God are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to usward, they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee. If we would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered."

Through the good hand of our God upon us we have again been enabled to meet all obligations, and to close every department except one with a substantial balance with which to enter upon the work of the new year. The overdrawn account is that of the Parsonage Department. In our great desire to grant the requests of congregations for Parsonage Loans, we overdrew that account by the small sum of $395.38.

Our total receipts for the year from all sources amounted to $566,730.99. Owing to a marked decrease in the New World Movement receipts, these are much below those of last year, but there is encouragement in the fact that while our New World receipts fell from $172,021.44 last year to $30,437.30 this year, or almost $142,000, our decrease in yearly receipts is a little more than $69,000.-00.

Of the total receipts, $157,506.74 were contributed by presbyterials, exclusive of their thank-offerings. While thirty-one of the fifty-seven presbyterials increased their offerings, twenty-six decreased theirs, and the decreases were $125.89 more than increases.

The presbyterials which increased were Albany, Arkansas Valley, Boston, Cedar Rapids, Chicago, Cleveland, Concordia, Conemaugh, Delaware, Des Moines, Frankfort, Idaho, Illinois Southern, Indiana, Kansas City, Keokuk, Lake, Los Angeles, Mercer, Monongahela, Muskingum, New York, Ohio First, Omaha, Pawnee, Philadelphia, Puget Sound, Sidney, Spokane and Wisconsin.

1925 THANK-OFFERING

Our receipts include the 1925 Thank-Offering, which amounted to $161,385.45, and was distributed to the departments of work according to needs as follows: To Foreign Missions, $93,025; Foreign Salaries, $487.68; Home Missions, $10,000;

Indian, $1,000; Freedmen's Missions, $20,000; Parsonage Department $5,000; Ministerial Relief, $1,525.80, and as designated, $900 for Life Directorships, and $24,295.00 for Senior and Junior Life Memberships.

From the receipts of the Thank-Offering until its distribution in June, it was on interest in four separate bank deposits. The accrued interest, together with the Boston convention offering, and money received from the sale of Thank-Offering supplies was placed in our expense account to defray expenses in furnishing boxes and free literature for this department.

NEW WORLD MOVEMENT

During the year our New World Movement receipts amounted to $30,437.30; $20,826.99 came through the treasurer of the New World Committee, and $9,610.31 were received from interest and from presbyterials and Sabbath Schools.

This fund was distributed in the ratio of askings as follows: To Foreign Missions, $15,055.23; to individual salaries as designated, $11,653.50; to Home Missions, $1,196.18; to Indian Missions, $60.87; to Freedmen's Missions, $1,456.43; to the Parsonage Department, $675.71; to Contingent Fund, $339.38.

LIFE DIRECTORSHIPS

The Life Directorship Roll now contains eighty-one names, forty-three on the Active Roll and thirty-eight on the Memorial Roll. Twelve were added during the past year as follows: To the Active Roll, Carrie E. McDanel, by the gift of her mother, Mrs. J. P. McDanel, our first Life Director; Mrs. Frank Davis, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Blanche Soule, by the W. M. S. of the Second U. P. Church, New York; Mrs. A. C. Evans, by her husband; Mrs. Howard Beatty Smith, by her mother, Mrs. J. C. Hare; Mrs. J. B. Hill, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. W. M. Boggs, by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Evans; Mrs. Guy D. Wallace, by a friend; Mrs. J. C. Pinkerton, by a friend; and to the Memorial Roll, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patton, by their daughter, Anna I. Patton; Mr. D. C. Wills, by his wife; and Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Huston, by bequest.

LEGACIES

An important source of income are the legacies, with which interested friends remember the work when disposing of their earthly possessions. During the past year $46,641.22 was received in legacies; $2,194 from the estate of Mrs. Belle W. Huston; $32,984 from Mrs. Mary Denham Taylor of Pittsburgh; $905.00 from Fannie E. Wasson, of Canonsburg, Pa.; $2000.00 from Margaret Andrews, of Cambridge, Mass.; $905.00 from Mrs. Eula S. Campbell, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; $225.00 from Mrs. Elizabeth Dalgleish, Portland, Oregon; $100.00 from Mrs. E. J. Osborne, of Marissa, Ill.; $40.42 from Margaret Schick, of New Castle, Pa.; $4,671.00 from Eva Gillespie; $2116.80 from Isabella K. Lockhart; and $500.00 from Malissa McClelland.

In this way these devoted servants of the Master provided that when called from labor to reward, the influence of their lives shall continue to bear fruit in the vineyard of the Lord. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest

from their labors; and their works do follow them." Such gifts are most deeply appreciated and accepted as evidence of the Lord's provision for His work.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

During the year $7,042.66 was received for the work of this department. This fund is used in relieving distress and suffering, and carries comfort and cheer into the homes of afflicted and bereaved servants of the Master. It enables the Board to extend aid to workers at home and abroad who are disabled by age or broken down by sickness. Nor is its help confined to workers under the care of the Women's Board, but other needy servants are remembered from time to time with substantial gifts. Last year its disbursements amounted to $7,185.29. From the nature of its work, no publicity is connected with it, but its many beneficiaries can testify to the relief and joy it has brought them.

MRS. GEORGE MOORE MEMORIAL

At the last convention we reported that $4,547.61 had been received for the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund. During the past year the fund was increased by $1,327.25, making the total $5,874.96. $5,825.00 has been invested, the income to be used to provide illustrations for the Magazine, such illustrations always to appear with the name of Mrs. Moore, thus perpetuating her memory. We are still far short of our goal, $10,000.00.

We are profoundly grateful to the congregations, Sabbath Schools, Women's Bible Classes and individuals who have so loyally contributed to the salaries of missionaries and support of Bible women, and we are sorry that time will not permit the naming of each.

The actual disbursements for the year total $595,216.64, $27,486 in excess of receipts. It required $108,200.03 to pay the salaries of missionaries at home and abroad; $22,766 to support Bible Women; $12,248.56 to pay travelling expenses of missionaries, $182,027.00 was used in buying land and erecting buildings. More than $115,000.00 was required for support of the institutions in the foreign fields.

The treasurer deeply appreciates the faithful service rendered by society and presbyterial treasurers. Their untiring care of the funds and their careful, prompt and regular remittances are a great aid to her in her work. Their thoughtfulness and kind words are also highly prized.

Please remember that the treasurer of the W. G. M. S. closes her Thank-Offering account January 2nd, and her accounts for the year on April 15th. It is most inconvenient to wait for any one who delays to remit.

Again, there should be no item of cents in remittances except in the Thank-Offering, Contingent Fund and Isaiah Fund.

Life Membership names and addresses should always accompany Life Membership fees.

Surely, the Lord has been mindful of us, and He will bless us still.

"On us let the grace and beauty
Of the Lord, our God, remain;
Strengthen us for noble duty
That our work be not in vain."

ANNUAL REPORT

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TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1927

	Balance Apr. 15, 1926				Balance Apr. 15, 1927	
	Dr.	Cr.	Receipts	Disbur'ts	Dr.	Cr.
Foreign Missions, General		4783.85	148755.75	153355.84		183.76
Foreign Missions, N. W. M.		46479.51	46544.75	64034.97		28989.29
Foreign Missions, Salaries		43384.01	118418.40	117081.09		44721.32
Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot		138.82	379.00	400.00		117.82
Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill		84.45	395.00	300.00		179.45
Girls' Boarding School, Luxor		241.59	232.00	302.50		171.09
Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha		127.00	50.00			177.00
Girls' Boarding School, Gardaspur		2306.14				2306.14
Girls' Boarding School, Tanta		6339.11	590.50	6099.95		829.66
Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur		90.00	220.00	229.50		80.50
Sialkot Hospital		1439.10	782.50	940.00		1281.60
Jhelum Hospital		242.60	798.00	870.00		170.60
Tanta Hospital		8445.03	2767.30	7200.00		4012.33
Sargodha Hospital		864.37	248.00	1109.00		3.37
Abyssinia Hospital	7877.26		11600.30	9615.18	5892.14	
Foreign Missions, Special		604.79	6188.30	6133.30		659.79
Home Missions, General		15501.64	39882.53	39509.65		15874.52
Home Missions, N. W. M.		6445.14	1196.18	375.00		7266.32
Indian Missions, U. S.		4487.82	7218.81	5716.09		5990.54
Indian Missions, U. S., N. W. M.		639.33	60.87	50.84		649.36
Freedmen's Mission, General		8367.44	35077.61	35551.78		7893.27
Freedmen's Missions, N. W. M.		9931.22	2296.93	100.00		12128.15
Church Extension and Parsonage		10267.63	40810.99	51474.00	395.38	
Church Extension and Parsonage, N. W. M.		1310.29	675.71	1200.00		786.00
Junior Special			4347.25	4347.25		
Young Women's Special			8414.50	8414.50		
Ministerial Relief		4607.15	7042.66	7185.29		4464.52
Orphan's Home, Allegheny			1148.50	1148.50		
Columbia Hospital			493.00	493.00		
Aged Peoples' Home			517.00	517.00		
Contingent Fund		1446.66	12199.42	10199.48		3446.60
Contingent Fund, N. W. M.		3038.44	339.38	1500.00		1877.82
Life Memberships, Senior		13178.71	29202.52	31230.00		11146.23
Life Memberships, Junior		4481.71	30667.75	28170.88		6978.63
Life Directorships		2637.51	19776.50	17540.00		4874.01
Temperance		1270.43	2163.60	781.88		2652.15
Loan Investments	24632.95		9097.95	6500.00	22035.00	
Legacies		1286.18	21409.20	20318.17		2377.21
Women's Missionary Magazine			2008.50	2008.50		
Investment Income			61876.97	59886.88		1990.09
Annuities		100.00	20362.13	20462.13		
Annuity Expense			10032.71	10032.71		
Junior Magazine			2060.00	1860.00		200.00
India Permanent Equipment		8720.64	428.00	1793.10		7355.54
"407" Fund		162.72		150.00		12.72
Isaiah 41:6		4224.31	1749.84	836.03		5138.12
New World Movement		8650.00	30437.30	30437.30		8650.00
Rest Home Ramleh		1002.41	120.00			1122.41
Surplus Fund		750.00				750.00
Pasrur Hospital for Christians		423.00	164.13			587.13
Mrs. Geo. Moore Memorial		1322.61	1327.35	2600.00		49.96
TOTAL	32510.21	229768.86	742575.59	770061.24	28322.52	198095.52
Less Bonds Included as Cash		8650.00				8650.00
	32510.21	221118.86	742575.59	770061.24	28322.52	189445.52
Less Transfers of Funds			175844.60	175844.60		
	32510.21	221118.86	566730.99	594216.64	28322.52	189445.52

Cash Balance on Hand, April 15, 1926	188608.65
Receipts for Fiscal year ending April 15, 1927	566730.99
TOTAL	755339.64
Disbursements for Fiscal year ending April 15, 1927	594216.64
Cash Balance on Hand, April 15, 1927	161123.00

Above statement includes in the receipts the amount of the 1925 Thank-Offering.

ANNUITIES

Bonds Outstanding April 15, 1926	165716.11
Bonds Issued April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927	20362.13
	186078.24
Lapsed from April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927	3212.13
Bonds Outstanding April 15, 1927	182866.11

I hereby certify that the above statements and the accounts of Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, from which they are taken, including bank deposits and securities owned, are correct and true for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1927.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

Report of the Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Ch. Ex. and Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Ministerial Relief	Contingent Fund	Women's Association	Life Members	Life Directors	Isaiah	Temperance	New World	Mrs. Moore Memorial Fund	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany	343.50	235.00	134.00	46.00	54.00	32.00	32.00	34.00	33.00	10.50				23.00	27.00		10.00		1014.00
Allegheny	3287.00	4294.00	1876.00	582.00	849.00	392.00	789.00	596.00	433.00	125.00				152.00	92.00	3020.00	167.50		16654.50
Argyle	132.00	600.00	655.00	18.00	19.00	12.00	41.00	63.00	14.00	9.40	9.00			11.00	13.00		4.00		1600.40
Arkansas Valley	132.00	1400.00	108.00	46.00	57.00	26.00	62.00	59.00	29.00	25.99	15.00			14.50	17.00	48.00	6.00		2045.49
Beaver Valley	1616.00	1630.00	649.00	284.00	936.00	155.00	110.00	357.00	194.00	78.00				87.00	101.00	708.51	19.00		6924.51
Big Spring	105.00	845.00	109.00	53.00	49.00	13.00	32.00	30.00	14.00	9.00	6.00			10.00	13.00	1.00			1289.00
Boston	565.00	800.00	112.00	53.41	68.00	13.00	43.00	54.00	122.00	15.70				32.00	19.00	1.00		2000.00	3898.11
Butler	773.00	766.00	655.00	335.00	358.00	211.00	162.00	225.00	205.00	64.06	333.00			81.50	189.00	40.00	48.00		4445.56
Caledonia	282.00	748.00	384.00	113.00	142.00	58.00	56.00	267.00	61.00	25.00	66.00			27.00	41.00	1.00	12.00		2283.00
Cedar Rapids	168.00	923.00	80.00	130.00	69.00	20.00	49.00	101.00	37.00	17.00	12.00			10.00	11.00	264.00	9.75		1900.75
Chartiers	519.00	2903.50	1363.00	260.00	601.00	131.00	198.00	534.00	174.00	85.20	152.00			65.00	128.00	17.00	11.00		7136.70
Chicago	412.00	800.00	316.00	142.00	207.00	116.00	78.00	161.00	120.00	30.50	139.00			49.50	67.00	3.00	8.00		2649.00
Cleveland	1374.00	950.00	777.00	278.00	308.00	183.00	257.00	443.00	201.00	75.00	89.00			59.00	74.00	13.00	43.00		5124.00
College Springs	137.00	1335.00	79.00	38.00	62.00	16.00	74.36	23.00	20.00	33.10	30.00			14.00	11.00		3.00		1875.46
Colorado	291.00	800.00	161.00	131.00	135.00	61.00	52.00	158.00	71.00	31.00	11.00			27.00	33.00	1.00	38.00		2001.00
Concordia	35.00	75.00	17.00	8.00	17.00	3.00	1.14	18.00	4.00	4.60				6.00	2.00	5.00	4.00		199.74
Conemaugh	201.00	773.00	156.00	58.00	73.00	18.00	21.00	112.00	57.00	18.20	121.00			26.95	25.00		12.00		1672.15
Delaware	570.00	1138.00	195.00	85.00	107.00	13.00	114.50	138.00	19.00	29.62	32.50			14.00	21.60	1.00	2.00		2480.22
Des Moines	109.00	867.50	124.00	65.00	85.00	32.00	29.00	119.00	49.00	25.00	12.00			18.00	25.00		6.00		1565.50
Detroit	301.00	27.00	202.00	86.00	131.00	44.00		45.00	40.00	9.90	68.00			5.00	19.00		20.00		997.90
Frankfort	272.00	228.00	28.00	6.00	16.00				2.00	4.00				4.00					560.00
Hudson	230.00	800.00	151.00	49.00	55.00	10.00	25.00	19.00	27.00	8.00	48.00			15.00	12.00	10.00			1458.00
Idaho	86.00	103.00	73.00	26.00	38.00	22.00	21.00	10.00	28.00	8.00	12.00			24.00	14.00		11.00		476.00
Illinois Southern	229.00	1149.00	238.00	75.00	91.00	50.00	47.00	110.00	56.00	31.70	49.00			19.85	56.00		4.00		2205.55
Indiana	72.00	735.00	106.00	30.00	55.00	22.00	13.75	44.75	33.00	16.00	8.00			13.00	23.00	4.00	17.00		1192.50
Indiana Northern	44.00	14.50	21.00	13.00	13.00	8.00	4.00		9.00	3.50	20.00			11.25	5.00	1.00	6.00		173.25
Kansas City	395.00	505.00	219.00	98.00	113.00	52.00	72.00	114.00	64.00	31.00	58.00			35.00	37.00	7.00	2.00		1802.00
Keokuk	176.00	667.00	219.00	56.00	82.00	29.00	19.00	68.00	38.00	21.00	15.00			28.00	28.00		5.00		1451.00
Kiskiminetas	576.00	291.00	346.00	105.00	144.00	72.00	53.00	126.00	100.00	25.50	115.00			25.50	36.00	55.00	8.00		2078.00
Lake	350.00	752.00	300.00	143.00	173.00	55.00	91.00	214.00	96.00	37.15	27.00			29.00	45.00	14.00	8.00		2334.15
Los Angeles	1796.00	800.00	431.00	164.00	194.00	123.00	59.00	164.00	156.00	31.95	6.00			33.00	73.00		14.50	40.00	4085.45
Mansfield	213.00	343.00	181.00	85.00	120.00	23.00	44.00	73.00	44.00	18.45	12.00			17.00	25.00				1198.45
Mercer	293.00	800.00	248.00	120.00	182.00	45.00	86.00	161.00	46.00	16.00	87.00			32.00	34.00		10.00		2160.00
Monmouth	214.00	1616.00	211.00	62.00	115.00	22.00	107.00	96.00	36.00	20.00	8.00			22.40	34.00	62.00	10.00		2635.40
Monongahela	3565.00	13377.00	3218.00	730.00	1694.00	513.00	613.00	1373.00	520.00	180.00				185.00	302.00	595.00	204.00		27069.00
Muskingum	282.00	1600.00	233.00	133.00	149.00	82.00	73.50	266.00	104.00	41.00	78.00			47.00	49.00		37.00		3174.50
New York	15.00		25.00							4.70				2.00			2.00		48.70
Ohio First	384.00	1300.00	868.00	108.00	178.00	109.00	59.00	203.00	129.00	25.60	23.00			24.70	29.00				2940.30
Oklahoma	79.00	60.00	139.00	35.00	42.00	20.00	8.00	25.00	18.00	11.00	18.00			21.00	12.00		10.00		498.00
Omaha	178.50	457.00	74.00	49.00	74.00	35.00	13.00	51.00	48.00	13.85	3.00			13.00	22.00	300.00	5.00		1336.35
Oregon	173.00	770.00	95.00	37.00	59.00	38.00	3.00		52.00	14.00	3.00			31.00	18.00		10.00		1303.00
Pawnee	81.00	621.00	105.00	47.00	51.00	22.00	12.00	75.00	19.00	14.55				12.00	13.00				1071.55
Philadelphia	863.00	1542.00	1644.00	212.00	228.00	136.00	186.00	377.75	163.00	59.40				65.00	83.00	9.00	24.00		5592.15
Puget Sound	302.00	420.00	142.00	67.00	68.00	40.00	44.00	70.00	48.00	17.00	22.00			22.00	24.00				1286.00
Rock Island	168.00	600.00	181.00	67.90	63.00	30.00	35.00	128.00	48.75	15.20	24.00			19.00	25.00		16.25		1421.10
San Francisco	170.00	704.00	104.00	57.00	60.00	44.00	17.00	6.00	46.00	11.26	12.00			22.00	23.00		11.00		1287.26
(Sidney) Ohio Northwestern	255.00	952.00	154.00	50.00	60.00	18.00	40.00	43.00	29.00	18.95	16.00			10.00	15.00				1660.95
Spokane	116.00	181.00	87.00	34.00	45.00	20.00	9.00	69.00	21.00	10.00	11.00			15.00	10.00	3.00	2.00		632.00
Steubenville	347.00	788.00	253.80	95.00	141.00	52.00	10.00	243.00	69.00	39.00	101.00			39.69	27.00		14.50		2218.99
Tennessee	171.00		17.00	16.00	48.00	5.00	33.00	7.00	7.00	3.55	10.00			10.00	6.00		9.00		333.55
Texas	24.50	175.00	27.00	15.00	17.00	14.00	16.00	15.00	14.00	9.50	25.00			21.50	11.00	4.00	5.00		377.50
Tuscarawhere	15.00	30.00	20.00	6.00	6.00	6.00			6.00	1.00				8.00	7.00				132.00
Vermont	68.00		20.00	18.20	18.00									11.50					135.70
Westmoreland	620.00	3400.00	873.00	267.00	344.00	243.00	191.00	407.00	346.00	44.00				61.00	60.00		21.00		6877.00
Wheeling	416.00	800.00	262.00	76.00	198.00	69.00	30.00	116.00	83.00	32.00	23.00			31.00	26.00	5.00	52.00		2219.00
Wisconsin	92.00	200.00	102.00	38.00	50.00	19.00	55.00	49.00	30.00	8.00	12.00			8.00	19.00		12.00		694.00

Westmoreland	620.00	3400.00	878.00	267.00	344.00	243.00	191.00	407.00	346.00	44.00				61.00	60.00		21.00		6877.00
Wheeling	416.00	800.00	262.00	76.00	198.00	69.00	30.00	116.00	83.00	32.00	23.00			31.00	26.00	5.00	52.00		2219.00
Wisconsin	92.00	200.00	102.00	38.00	50.00	19.00	55.00	49.00	30.00	8.00	12.00			8.00	19.00		12.00		694.00
Xenia	564.00	1615.00	350.00	162.00	178.00	66.00	37.00	154.00	87.00	22.60	117.00			31.00	32.00	1.00	218.00		3634.60
Warm Spring Cong.	36.00		34.00	42.00	36.00														149.00
Avalon Cong.		800.00																	800.00
Helen Brown		200.00																	200.00
Cochranton & Utica Cong.		663.46																	663.46
Fourth Cong., N. S. Pgh.		516.66																	516.66
1st Los Angeles Cong.		330.00																	330.00
New Wilmington Cong.		800.00																	800.00
Marissa Cong.		800.00																	800.00
Norris Square S. S.		800.00																	800.00
North Bend Cong.		700.00																	700.00
Pittsburg, Kans., Cong.		100.00																	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ramsey		800.00																	800.00
Rochester, N. Y., Cong. and S. S.		800.00																	800.00
Second Cong., N. S., Pgh.		150.00																	150.00
Sparta Cong.		800.00																	800.00
Stronghurst Cong.		228.25																	228.25
Third Church, Pgh.		600.00																	600.00
Valencia Cong.		515.13																	515.13
2nd Wash., Iowa, Cong.																600.00			600.00
Walton, N. Y., S. S.		400.00																	400.00
Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Wiegering		800.00																	800.00
The Woods Sisters		800.00																	800.00
Second Wilkinsburg		133.33																	133.33
Morgan Co., Ky., Board of Edu.			932.00																932.00
Friends			290.00																290.00
Women's Magazine Com.																		1500.00	1500.00
Anna Wilson	500.00																		500.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harlan	200.00																		200.00
Martha L. Mason Fund																296.30			296.30
Mrs. John Beight		300.00																	300.00
Estate of Eva Gillespie	4671.00																		4671.00
Estate of Isabella Lockhart	2116.80																		2116.80
Estate of Melissa McClelland	500.00																		500.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Borton	1000.00																		1000.00
West End Presbyterian Church		1200.00																	1200.00
Rochester, Pa., Cong.	340.54																		340.54
Parsonage Repayments						27977.99													27977.99
Returned on Loan Investment	2700.00					2625.00						23200.00	17500.00					8893.27	54918.27
Annuities																		20362.13	20362.13
Legacies																		17354.20	17354.20
India Permanent Equip.																		428.00	428.00
Investment Income																		61836.97	61836.97
Interest	251.43		50.00							7282.52						20826.99			7583.95
N. W. Movement Com.																			20826.99
Refunds	2452.27	492.72	267.74		200.00				993.11									25.00	4430.84
Individuals, Classes, Etc.	3912.44	432.50	542.50	17.50	423.95		25.00		5.00							273.25	154.85		5786.99
1925 Thank-Offering	93025.00	487.68	10000.00	1000.00	20000.00	5000.00			1525.80	3046.72	100.00	24295.00	900.00			5.25		2000.00	161385.45
	136947.98	74955.23	31544.04	7218.81	30145.95	39265.99	4347.25	8414.50	7042.66	11919.42	2158.50	47495.00	18400.00	1749.84	2163.60	27195.30	1327.35	114439.57	566730.96
Actual Receipts	4326.25																		4326.25
Junior Special	4350.00	1384.50	1780.00		900.00														8414.50
Young Women's Special	2200.00		100.00		100.00								300.00						2400.00
Lapsed Annuities	2070.30		5843.48		3504.39														11718.17
Legacies		1379.00																12631.21	1379.00
Foreign General	4034.35		615.01		427.27	1545.00				280.00		12375.27	1076.50			3242.00			36226.61
Investment Income	19543.80	29046.17																	48589.97
Foreign N. W. M.	1793.10																		1793.10
India Permanent Equip.																		704.68	704.68
Contingent Fund																			
TOTAL	175265.78	106764.90	39882.53	7218.81	35077.61	40810.99	4347.25	8414.50	7042.66	12199.42	2158.50	59870.27	19776.50	1749.84	2163.60	30437.30	1327.35	127775.46	682283.27
N. W. M. Transfers	15055.23	11653.50	1196.18	60.87	1456.43	675.71				339.38									30437.30
Investment Income	22764.52				340.50														23105.02
By Transfers	6750.00																		6750.00
GRAND TOTAL	219835.53	118418.40	41078.71	7279.68	36874.54	41486.70	4347.25	8414.50	7042.66	12538.80	2158.50	59870.27	19776.50	1749.84	2163.60	30437.30	1327.35	127775.46	742575.59

ENDOWMENTS

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, TANTA, EGYPT

Mrs. I. H. Jamison	$1,000.00
John Denham and sisters	1,000.00
Mrs. O. E. P. Stokes	1,000.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00
Mary Gettis Carson	1,000.00
Margaret Armstrong Carson	1,000.00
Mrs. Eliza Clokey	1,000.00
Argyle O. Y. P. C. U.	1,000.00
W. M. S., Chartiers Presbytery	1,000.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	1,000.00
Mrs. Mary B. Reid	1,000.00
Margaret Louise Dales	1,000.00
Rev. William Harvey, D. D.	1,000.00
Mrs. Margaret McKallor	1,000.00
Eleanor Porterfield	1,000.00
Rev. Alexander McLeod Milligan	1,000.00
Mrs. Lucy Young	1,200.00
Florence L. Gibson	1,000.00

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHELUM, INDIA

Anna Reid	600.00
Mrs. Sarah A. Reed	600.00
Mrs. Ellen Dean	600.00
Miss Lulu Dean	600.00
Mrs. I. H. Jamison & Miss Herron	600.00
Gordon Memorial	600.00
Mrs. Martha E. Wilson	600.00
M. A. Krohn	600.00
W. M. S., Mercer Presbytery	600.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00
C. D. Bent	600.00
Paul Krohn	600.00
Junior Life Membership	350.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

MARY B. REED MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SARGODHA, INDIA

Mrs. Elizabeth Walker	300.00

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT, INDIA

Mrs. Mary B. Reid	600.00
Three (3) Junior Life Memberships	1,050.00
Isabel Milligan	600.00
Margaret Williams	350.00
Jane Anita Milligan	350.00
Margaret Williams	350.00
Mrs. A. M. Stewart	650.00
Mr. J. M. Stewart	350.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Adair Currie	600.00
Edith M. Fulton	600.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00
Mrs. Ella Easton McGowan	600.00
Mrs. Brown	600.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PASRUR, INDIA

Xenia W. M. S.	600.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

JUBILEE HOSPITAL, HENDERSON, N. C.

Junior Life Membership	500.00

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, TANTA, EGYPT

Ruth Warnock Scholarship	1,000.00

GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ADDIS ABABA, ABYSSINIA

Mrs. Mary J. Webb Baird	500.00
Mrs. Margaret Mabon Bryce	1,000.00
Robert Collins Dornan	1,000.00
Mrs. Anna Moore Hibben	500.00
Miss Belle McConnell	500.00
Rochester, N. Y., Bible School	500.00
Miss Sarah J. Armstrong	500.00
Miss Ellen Heslep	1,500.00
Miss Melinda Pressley	500.00

Memorial Beds: Samuel Young, Mrs. Margaret Klein, Theodora and Mary Barr, Helen Gilmore, Margaret T. Sawvell, Mary Harper, Frankfort Presbyterial Room in honor of Hazel Ewing.

MEMORIAL FUNDS

Mary B. Ashton	$13,634.90
Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Clark	500.00
Maggie J. Hill	1,900.00
Margaret Simpson	5,000.00
Mary Clokey Porter	9,224.13
Avis Cornelia White	2,500.00
Robert Telford	950.00
Eliza McCartney	100.00
Elizabeth Harvey	7,000.00
Ida M. Crothers	9,914.86
Emma J. McWilliams	2,000.00
S. A. Buck Scholarship	1,000.00
Mrs. George Moore	5,874.96
Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson	1,000.00
Income only of above memorial funds to be used.	
Mrs. Mary Denham Taylor	28,681.79

LIFE ANNUITY BONDS

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927

IN addition to gifts from missionary societies, individuals and others, the future of our work is provided for by the issuing of what are known as Annuity Bonds.

We never ask anyone to take out an Annuity Bond or to give us contributions of any kind. We lay our wants in prayer before the Lord and He knows the needs and the hearts of His people and from time to time, when they are "arranging their households" they remember the work of His Kingdom in the disposal of their earthly possessions through bequests. There are a great number, though, especially women, who are unable to give large sums during their lives, because they are compelled to live on the income of their property. They, however, may take out an Annuity Bond, specifying what is to be done with the money when they no longer need the interest. This is much better than arranging for legacies through a will, as it saves all expenses of lawyers, court charges, inheritance taxes, etc.

During the year just closed, we have issued fourteen bonds amounting to $20,362.13, as shown by the following statement from the Treasurer's books:

Bonds Outstanding April 15, 1926		$165716.11
Bonds Issued April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927	20362.13	
		$186078.24
Lapsed, April 15, 1926 to April 15, 1927	3212.13	
Bonds Outstanding, April 15, 1927		$182866.11

During the year just closed two of our annuitants have been called from service to reward, Miss Mary Slemons, of New Wilmington, Pa. and Mrs. Anna Ellen Brown, of the North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa. Miss Slemon's money was designated for Foreign Missions, and Mrs. Brown's money was designated one-half for Home Missions and one-half to Foreign Missions.

A third annuitant, Mrs. C. C. Thompson, Washington, Pa., has acted very unusually with her Annuity Bond. It had been taken out for some time and the interest had been sent to her regularly. During the year our Treasurer had a beautiful letter from Mrs. Thompson, stating that she did not need the interest and that she could therefore take the full amount of the bond and use one-half for work for women and children in Abyssinia, and the other half for women and children in the Sudan. It was accordingly sent, one-half to the George Memorial Hospital for women and children's work there, and the other half to our school in Khartum North. We are delighted to have the opportunity of reciting this beautiful story and of thanking this generous annuitant while she is still here to know how deeply we appreciate her action.

Bonds may be issued in the names of one or two persons, husband and wife, or two friends, interest being paid as requested, and the survivor receiving it later.

Class I, where the anuitant is under forty years of age, pays 4½%.

Class II, where the annuitant is over forty and under fifty years of age pays 5%. Class III, where the annuitant is over fifty and under seventy-five years of age pays 6%. Class IV, where the annuitant is seventy-five years of age or over pays 7%.

The Bonds are issued in the name of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, which is the corporate name of our organization. Being a corporation under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, all its assets are back of these bonds. That is to say, all the property and other securities owned by the Women's General Missionary Society are liable for the payment of the interest on these bonds. A letter is always required from the person paying the money, stating the age of the annuitant and department of work to which the principal is to be appropriated at the death of the annuitant. These letters are carefully filed and are binding upon the present Board and its successors.

The total amount of Annuities outstanding April 15, 1927, is $182,866.-11. May this very brief report induce many of our readers to take this plan of caring for their wealth. It is a sure investment, because all the assets of the Women's General Missionary Society are back of the bond.

The interest is paid regularly, semi-annually. All court charges, lawyers' fees, taxes, etc., are obviated and the wish of the annuitant carried out to the very letter when the bond lapses.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL

REPORT OF

TESTAMENTARY SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927

WE are happy to report that this department, like the foreign department, has contributions that exceed those of any previous year. There were bequests from eleven different persons received during the year which ended April 15, 1927. We take great pleasure in reporting the names and the amounts of bequests received from these friends of ours who are now in the "city whose streets are gold" and who, in arranging their affairs, provided that their works should follow them by leaving a part of their earthly possessions to the work of the United Presbyterian Church.

The first name is that of Mrs. Belle W. Huston, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. A. Armitage, Sebring, Ohio. The amount of her bequest was $2,194.72, and was to be used in the most needy place, as the Board should direct.

Mrs. Mary Denham Taylor's estate is not yet entirely settled, but through the executor we have received up to date $32,984.00. This money was distributed among various departments of the work of the Women's General Missionary Society by the testator. A full account will be printed in the Magazine when the estate is entirely settled.

Mrs. Fannie E. Wasson, of Canonsburg, Pa., left a bequest of $905.00 for work for Mountain people.

Margaret Andrews, of Cambridge, Mass., left $2,000.00, to be used where most needed.

Mrs. Eula Shaw Campbell, of Pittsburgh, Pa., bequeathed $905.00 to be used as the Board should direct.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dalgleish, among other things, left several diamond rings which were to be sold and the proceeds divided among several Boards. The share of the Women's Board from the sale of these jewels was $225.00.

Elizabeth J. Osborne, Marissa, Illinois, left $100.00 to be used for Miss Emma Dean Anderson's Home, Gurdaspur, India.

From the Margaret Schick estate, through Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, Home Mission Secretary, we received $40.-42.

From Mrs. Eva Gillespie, through Dr. T. A. Lambie, we received $4,-671.00, to be used for the George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Abyssinia.

From the estate of Isabella K. Lockhart, through Dr. T. A. Lambie, we received $2,116.80, for the George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Abyssinia.

From the estate of Melissa McClelland, through Dr. T. A. Lambie, we received $500.00, to be used for the George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Abyssinia.

The total amount of bequests received was $46,641.94.

These deceased friends are not able to hear our expressions of gratitude and appreciation, but if they were here they would tell you that no member of our Board had ever asked one of them to make this arrangement of her worldly goods. The Lord put it into their hearts. The Holy Spirit is able to interest the minds and hearts of His people and persuade them to bequeath some part of their worldly goods to the work of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ in the world.

It might be interesting to give a brief statement of our methods of conducting this department of work.

Among the secretaries of the various departments of the work of the Women's Board there is one who is called a Testamentary Secretary. Part of her duty is to conduct the correspondence relating to Wills. If she receives a letter from the proper court officer anywhere in the United States that a certain will has been probated, leaving a bequest to the Women's General Missionary Society, or it may be to the Women's Board of Missions of the United Presbyterian Church, it at once becomes the duty of the Testamentary Secretary to begin correspondence with the person who has given us the before mentioned information.

Among other things, she asks for a copy of the will. She then gets in touch with the persons who were named as executors or administrators. She notes in the will whether the bequest is intended for any particular department of the work of the Board or if the money is just left to the Board to use as its judgment may dictate, or the money may be left in trust and the interest used for a specific purpose. Nothing gives official information concerning these various points but the will itself,

therefore she must have a copy. These copies are filed and when the bequest is paid, sometimes one or two years or more after the notification has been received, it is marked on the outside of the copy of the will "bequest paid." Then it is her business to see that the Board instructs the Treasurer to put the money just where the testator desired it should go. We take great pleasure in reporting that for forty-one years the Board has religiously and legally carried out to the very letter the known wish of every decedent.

When we receive notice of a bequest it gives us great encouragement, because we may have never heard of the person who made the bequest and may know nothing about her, but it shows us that the Lord is looking after the future of our work and that He put it into the minds of our deceased friends to assign a certain part of it to the work of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Other bequests are so worded that the Board is only allowed to use the income. In such cases the money is at once invested in first mortgages on new real estate in the city of Pittsburgh at 6% interest per annum. These properties are visited by our investment committee and carefully watched to see that the taxes and insurance are promptly paid by the persons owning the property.

An amortization clause is inserted in every mortgage. That is a certain amount of the principal must be paid at every interest-bearing period, so that at the end of the three years for which the mortgage is given, all depreciation on the property has been met by these partial payments received.

It should be borne in mind also that these bequests are depreciated ten per cent, the laws of the State of Pennsylvania demanding that ten per cent of all bequests be paid as inheritance taxes.

There is another way in which our friends may provide for the continuance of the Lord's work after they have gone from this world and that is by the taking out of life insurance policies. We have heard of several of our friends who have recently taken out life insurance policies making the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church the beneficiary.

There are many who could not afford to give us at one time five thousand dollars, or any other large sum, but could pay the premium on an insurance policy. Then, upon the death of the insured, the money would come direct to the society, without any reduction whatever, for court charges, inheritance taxes, lawyer's fees, etc.

Of course you know that the earlier in life one takes out an insurance policy the smaller the premium, so that we advise as many as are interested, men and women, to adopt this easy way of leaving a sum of money to any work of the Lord in which they are interested.

We close our report holding in precious memory the names and works of these departed friends, and with a feeling of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for this and all other evidences of His leading and guiding hand.

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL

REPORT OF

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL
Foreign Secretary

THE Bible teaches that from the beginning our heavenly Father planned that women should have some part in the work of the Kingdom and should be held responsible by Him for the faithful performance of every duty. We, therefore, at the conclusion of the forty-fourth year of the existence of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, sing with the Psalmist, "According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth; thy right hand is full of righteousness. Let Mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments. Walk about Zion, and go round about her; tell the towers thereof. Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following. For this God is our God for ever and ever: He will be our guide even unto death."

If we were not sure that "This God is our God for ever and ever: He will be our guide even unto death," we would often falter and hesitate at entering into some of the wonderful opportunities and open doors that He has set before us. He is faithful, Who has promised, and our constant prayer is that He may increase our faith.

During the year, since our previous report, the following named missionaries have returned to their respective fields:—to India, the Misses Lois Buchanan, Roma Beatty, Mary Lawrence, Louise Scott and Maria White, M. D.; to Egypt, the Misses Margaret Bell, Lucia Dwight, Dora Mason, Evelyn McFarland, Ethel Weed and Esther Wilson, and to Abyssinia, Miss Ruth C. Beatty, R. N. Sailing to India for the first time, the Misses Marie E. Cash, R. N., Edith Aldridge Pratt, R. N., and Faith W. Reed, M. D.; to Egypt, Mrs. Ada A. Dunlap, Mrs. Sara M. Eby, R. N. and the Misses Mildred Allison and Lois D. Kingan, and to the Sudan, Miss Marguerite McClellan.

The foregoing constituted a party

of twenty young women going out from the home land to the several fields to represent the Master and the United Presbyterian Church. It is a matter of continued gratitude that the Lord answered prayers and they all had safe, pleasant journeys to their several destinations.

Missionaries not returned after furlough, Miss Luella Denny of the Sudan, Miss Edna Broyles of India and Miss Rose Smith of Egypt.

Missionaries resigning during the year, the Misses Kathryn MacKenzie of the Sudan, and Florence White of Egypt.

Missionaries detained in this country for health and other reasons, the Misses Dora B. Whitely and Florence Jones of India, and the Misses Carrie Buchanan and Ella Downie of Egypt.

During the year the Lord again called us to mourn the loss of two missionaries, both from India. Miss Jane E. Martin, who had served her Lord in India for twenty-one years, was suddenly called from labor to reward. Miss Mable H. Stewart was only permitted to serve a very short time when she was returned to her home on account of health and, after months of intense suffering, she, too, went rejoicing to her Heavenly Home. "Their works do follow them."

For the first time in our history we report only one missionary elected during the year, Miss Lillian Billington. Her field is as yet undesignated.

The missionaries expected to return to their fields in the Autumn of 1927, are as follows: to India, the Misses Helen Artman, Hannah Beale, Kathryn Beattie, Minnie Beatty, Vida Graham, Frances Lincoln, R. N., Mary Martin, Lillian McConnell, Eleanor Machonachie, Georgia Wengert and Gertrude Zink; to Egypt, the Misses Ella Barnes, Anna Criswell, Isabel Hosack, R. N., Marion Paden, Ella Downie and Edna Sherriff, and to the Sudan, the Misses C. Blanche Soule, R. N. and Frances Turk, R. N.

During the year we have had the honor and responsibility of supporting, through prayer and gifts, seventy-one missionaries in India, fifty-five in Egypt, thirteen in the Sudan and eight in Abyssinia, or a total of one hundred and forty-seven, eleven less than the previous year. We hope that in answer to prayer there may be other names added to the roll before the missionary party sails in September.

Our greatest need in all fields is doctors and graduate nurses. Next to these are normal teachers, kindergartners and domestic science teachers. The Sudan is our most needy field at present along this line of especially skilled workers.

The number of missionaries' salaries that are pledged in whole or in part is one hundred and twenty. We are very thankful that the Lord has put it into the hearts of so many to undertake this financial responsibility. This still leaves twenty-seven whose salaries must be provided from New World funds or the Foreign General Department. We are praying that the Lord will induce more of His servants to undertake this responsibility so that next year we might have the pleasure of reporting all salaries pledged in whole or in part.

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We are most thankful to note that our Treasurer's report shows an increase, in the amount received for salaries from Presbyterials of $9,601.75. This is one of the things we have been specially praying for, that, as the New World Movement Fund was about ended, the Lord would put it into the hearts of those contributing to increase their contributions. Another item of increase is shown in the amount received from individuals, congregations and Sabbath Schools, amounting to $4,524.33. The Young Women's Special also shows a slight increase. Here follows the Treasurer's report for Foreign salaries:

Foreign salaries receipts by:

Presbyterials	$ 60305.50
Individuals, Congregations and Sabbath Schools	13669.33
Refunds	492.72
Thank-Offering designated	487.68
Young Women's Special	1384.50
Foreign New World Movement	29046.17
New World Movement designated	11653.50
Foreign Missions General	1379.00
	$118418.40

The total receipts for salaries this year are a little less than the previous year, accounted for by the falling off of designated New World Movement funds, still we have everything to be thankful for as far as the salary account is concerned.

The total receipts were $118,418.40, and the total disbursements $117,081,09, leaving a balance of $1,337.31, which, added to the balance of the previous year of $43,384.01, makes a total balance in the salary account at the close of the year of $44,721.32. As has been explained in previous reports, we must have a comfortable balance when the year closes, in order to meet the salaries for May, June July and August, as during these months the contributions for missionary purposes are very limited.

The second important ledger account in the Foreign Department is called "Foreign Missions General." Out of this ledger account everything is paid for foreign work that is not otherwise designated. Here follows the itemized statement of receipts for the Foreign Missions General ledger account:

Foreign Missions General receipts by

Presbyterials	$ 25242.50
Individuals, Sabbath Schools and Y. P. C. U.	5612.44
Congregations	876.54
1925 Thank-Offering	93025.00
Lapsed Annuities	2200.00
Young Women's Special	4350.00
Junior Special	4326.25
Legacies	9358.10
Investment Income	4034.85
Refunds	2452.27
Foreign New World Movement	19543.80
India Equipment	1793.10
New World Movement	725.00
Interest	251.43
Total	$173290.78

Foreign Missions Disbursements to:

Estimates granted to four foreign fields	$138261.22
Furnishings	4940.88
Drugs, Abyssinia	480.42
On account of Dr. Lambie	7945.08
Outfit allowances	1850.00
Travel, Freight and Insurance of missionaries	11017.90
Post-graduate allowance	560.00
Loss by Exchange, India	6270.00
New Wilmington Expenses	911.40
Refund, Cables, Pins	416.07
Budget for Foreign Missions Conference	550.00
Foreign Special	6133.80
Transfers	1369.00
Investments	6500.00
Total	$186705.27

While the total receipts of $173,-290.78 are less than the previous year, the account is very much more encouraging. For example the contributions from Presbyterials, individuals, Sabbath Schools and Societies are increased. The invested income, however, is much less. That shows that last year there was an item of $37,500.00 of a loan which had been returned and we had to use it and consequently we lost the interest on that, but it shows all the way along that the receipts from natural sources, outside of New World, have almost all increased. Therefore we are very thankful for this, another instance of answered prayer. You will notice that the disbursements this year were more than the total receipts, which was made possible because we had such a comfortable balance last year of $19,367.72. This year our balance is only $5,953.23. It is a credit balance, however, and not a deficit, for which we are profoundly grateful.

You will have observed that every year there is a difference in lasped annuities and in legacies. They vary greatly. It might be interesting to announce that in making estimates for work for the ensuing year the Board never considers any income whatever from lapsed annuities or legacies, for an obvious reason. They deal with the termination of human life, and we know nothing whatever about when that will occur, nor what the amount of the legacy of any may be. When we do receive them, we are profoundly grateful and feel that we are just that much to the good to meet possible emergencies, because they have not been considered in in making estimates.

Foreign New World Movement, of course, shows a great decrease in receipts. Last year the receipts of the New World Movement that went to the Foreign Department amounted to $113,746.07. This year it was only $14,330.23. Here follows the statement from the Treasurer of receipts and disbursements:

FOREIGN NEW WORLD MOVEMENT

Receipts by New World Movement Distribution	$14330.23
Receipts by Investment Income	22764.52
Receipts by Payments on Loans	9450.00
Total	$46544.75

A word of explanation might not be amiss concerning investment income. Every dollar of New World funds is invested as soon as received in first mortgages on good real estate and the income on the amount of money still in our hands is added to receipts for the year. During the year some loans matured and were paid back into the treasury, so they, also, are included.

DISBURSEMENTS

To Sanitarium Expenses	$ 900.00
To Investment	4000.00
To Convention Expenses of "407" missionaries	545.00
To Purchase Land, Beni Suef	10000.00
To Transfer to Salaries	29046.17
To Transfer to Foreign General	19543.80
Total	$64034.97

The disbursements were less this year than the previous year, because there is no building included, the only expense concerning institutions being for the purchase of land for a community center in Beni Suef, Egypt, at a cost of ten thousand dollars.

There is quite a difference in the balance this year, as is to be expected. Last year the balance was over forty-six thousand dollars, and this year it is not quite twenty-nine thousand dollars. As time goes by, of course this fund will soon pass out of existence altogether.

In order that anyone may tell at a glance the entire disbursements of the Foreign Department of the Women's Board from the beginning of the New World Movement up to date, we publish herewith what has been accomplished by New World Movement Funds:

EGYPT

To purchase property for center for women's work in Mansoura	$17000.00	
To erect a second story on Tanta Hospital residence	11250.00	
For improvements in Girls' Boarding School, Luxor	5750.00	
For purchase of land for center for women's work, Fayoum	5000.00	
To purchase land in Benha	6000.00	
To erection of Girls' School, Fayoum	43380.00	
To erect house for missionaries at Tanta	28000.00	
To erection of Girls' Boarding School, Tanta	45000.00	
To purchase land for Community Center, Tanta	7500.00	
To purchase land for Community Center, Beni Suef	10000.00	$178880.00

INDIA

To purchase Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital	$ 5000.00	
To erection of Ladies' Bungalow, Zafarwal	4913.13	
On account of erection of Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha	9885.00	
To erect Ladies' Bungalow, Sargodha	6533.00	
To purchase of land and erection of bungalow at Campbellpur	6726.00	
To purchase of land and erection of bungalow at Pathankot	7012.00	
To cost of land and erection of Ladies' House at Pasrur South	7600.00	
To cost of land and erection of Ladies' House at Sheikhupura	8600.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Gujar Khan	3200.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Chakwal	7267.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Dhariwal	334.00	67070.13

SUDAN

To purchase of additional land for Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North	$ 4000.00	
To building of addition to Girls' Boarding Schoool, Khartum North	20000.00	24000.00
		$269950.18

The foregoing is for land and buildings only. The sums paid for salaries at date amount to $304,953.-17.

We are pleased to report an audited account of the building of the George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Abyssinia, showing receipts from all sources of $133,039.88. and disbursements of $138,932.02, leaving a debtor balance April 15, 1927, of $5,892.15.

ABYSSINIA HOSPITAL
April 6 1923 to April 15, 1927

RECEIPTS

By W. S. George	$ 70000.00	
By Endowments	5000.00	
To Furnish Beds	955.00	
By Young People's Christian Union	8013.53	
By Interest on Investments	4427.50	
By Thank-Offering	866.00	
By Legacies	13287.80	
By Lapsed Annuities	3950.00	
By New World Movement	500.00	
Presbyterials, Sabbath Schools, Individuals, etc.	20393.30	
By Refunds and Transfers	5646.75	$133039.88

DISBURSEMENTS

To Erection of building and purchase of land	$111154.87	
To Materials bought in this country, equipment and transportation	21415.79	
To Cables	350.59	
To Insurance	375.00	
To Travel	2810.77	
To Investment endowment	1500.00	
To Salary of Mr. Douglass—contractor	1325.00	$138932.02
Debtor Balance April 15, 1927		$ 5892.14

$2,000.00 of the above disbursements were used as designated by donor to purchase land for a girls' school building, Addis Ababa.

Mr. A. F. Sawhill, an expert accountant who has audited the books of the Women's General Missionary Society since its organization, has presented a detailed, audited report of the receipts and disbursements which the limited space afforded prevents our publishing. He certifies that all accounts are correct.

In addition to the amount expended for building equipment, as shown by the Treasurer's book, of $138,932.02, there should be added $473.72 of equipment that was purchased and sent out and paid for as a donation. By adding this amount we will have

the actual cost up to date of the building and equipment of this hospital, $139,405.74.

There is still much to be done, perhaps the most important being an X-ray Department and an electric light machine. These will follow in the Lord's good time.

We regret to report that Dr. Thomas A. Lambie, the pioneer Abyssinian missionary and the builder and Superintendent of this hospital up until May, 1926, has severed his connection with the United Presbyterian Church and its Board of Foreign Missions to enter what he considers a wider field of work in Africa. Our prayers follow him wherever he goes, as a representative of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Early in the year, the Foreign Board elected Dr. A. W. Pollock, who had served for many years in Egypt, to go to Addis Ababa, Abyssinia, as physician in charge, as Dr. Lambie was leaving the country in May, 1926. Dr. Pollock entered into the work with consecrated enthusiasm and is reporting fine results. The work was sadly hindered by the serious illness, from typhus, of both our nurses, the Misses Ewing and Beatty, and also Mrs. Pollock, the wife of the acting Superintendent. We rejoice to say that all are rapidly improving in health in answer to the prayers of their many friends.

As Dr. Lambie was no longer available and the burden was too much for one doctor, the Egyptian Mission kindly loaned the Abyssinian Mission the services of Dr. H. L. Finley for one year, for which we are profoundly grateful to the Master and to the Egyptian Mission and the Foreign Board for having made the arrangement.

Perhaps the most interesting item in connection with our work in Egypt was the opening of the Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School in Tanta, on September 10, 1926. We regret that we are unable as yet to make a statement of its cost, as the Building Committee has not as yet been able to forward a complete statement to us.

Quite a substantial addition has been made to the building of the Girls' Boarding School in Khartum North, Sudan. The report of the building Committee has not yet reached us and must, of necessity be postponed for another year. The money to meet the cost exhausted the full amount which the survey for the New World Movement called for to go to that country, including interest on accumulated funds.

Here follow the responsibilities of the Women's General Misssionary Society in our four foreign fields:

INDIA

*Support of:

1. Seventy-one Missionaries.
2. Fifty-five Bible women.

†Maintenance of:

3. Memorial Hospital, Sialkot.
4. White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur.
5. Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum.
6. Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital, Sargodha.
7. Dispensary, Bhera.
8. Dispensary, Jhelum.
9. Dispensary, Kala.
10. Dispensary, Pasrur.
11. Dispensary, Pathankot.
12. Dispensary, Sargodha.
13. Dispensary, Sialkot.
14. Ladies' Bungalow, Attock.
15. Ladies' Bungalow, Campbellpur.
16. Ladies' Bungalow, Jhelum.

17. Ladies Bungalow, Pasrur, South.
18. Ladies' Bungalow, Pathankot.
19. Ladies' Bungalow, Sargodha.
20. Ladies' Bungalow, Shiekhupura.
21. Ladies' Bungalow, Sialkot, "Elizabeth Gordon Home."
22. Ladies' Bungalow, Rawalpindi.
23. Ladies' Bungalow, Zafarwal.
24. Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot.
25. Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha.
26. Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill.
27. Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur.
28. Girls' Day School, Sialkot District 6.
29. Girls' Day School, Gujranwala District 7.
30. Girls' Day School, Rawalpindi District 2.
31. Girls' Day School, Kangah Dogran District 2.
32. Girls' Day School, Sargodha District 23.
33. Girls' Day School, Dhariwal.
34. Girls' Day School, Gurdaspur.
35. Girls' Day School, Gujar Khan.
36. Girls' Day School, Pathankot.
37. Girls' Day School, Zafarwal.
38. Girls' Day School, Jhelum.
39. Girls' Day School, Martinpur.

The estimates granted for India for the ensuing year amount to $97,042.00.

EGYPT

*Support of:

1. Fifty-five missionaries.
2. Sixty-five Bible women.

†Maintenance of:

3. Martha McKeown Hospital, Tanta.
4. Tanta Hospital Residences.
5. Girls' Boarding and Day School, Luxor.
6. Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School, Tanta.
7. Girls' Day School, Alexandria.
8. Girls' Day School, Karmus.
9. Girls' Day School, Beni Suef.
10. Girls' Day School, Kafr-el-Ahsari.
11. Girls' Day School, Fayoum.
12. Girls' Day School, Monsourah.
13. Girls' Day School, Zagazig.
14. Dispensary and Clinic, Benha.
15. Dispensary and Clinic, Tanta.
16. Mary Herron Rest Home, Ramleh.
17. Community Center, Tanta.
18. Community Center, Cairo.
19. Community Center, Benha.
20. Community Center, Monsourah.
21. Community Center, Fayoum.

The estimates granted for Egypt for the ensuing year amount to $86,195.50.

SUDAN

*Support of:

1. Eleven missionaries.
2. Two Bible women.

†Maintenance of:

3. Bible Women's House, Khartum North.
4. Girls' Boarding and Day School, Khartum North.
5. "William Little" Girls' Day School, Wadi Halfa.
6. Support of three trained nurses.

The estimates granted for the Sudan for the year amount to $20,345.00.

ABYSSINIA

*Support of:

1. Eight missionaries.

†Maintenance of:

2. George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa.
3. Two Missionaries residences, Addis Ababa.

The estimates granted to Abyssinia for the ensuing year amount to $14,460.00.

*—Support of missionaries includes salaries, language teachers, travel, sanitarium, itinerating and station expenses. Full support, according to our Board of Foreign Missions, means double the salary. That is, if a salary is eight hundred dollars, full support is sixteen hundred dollars a year. Sending out new missionaries is an additional expense and includes outfit money and travelling expenses to the field.

†—Maintenance of institutions includes taxes, repairs, furniture, instruments, garden tools, seeds, food, clothing, books, medicine and itinerating; salaries of superintendents, nurses, teachers, doctors, Bible women, matrons and servants.

The foregoing estimates do not include outfit money, travelling expenses or salaries for new missionaries who go out in 1927.

The Manual used by the Foreign Board and the Women's Board as a guide for the conduct of missionary affairs, had been used so long and had received so many changes that the Foreign Board thought it should be reprinted.

Correspondence with our Board led us to agree to a slight change in the term of service of unmarried missionary women. We agreed with the Foreign Board that the first term is to be six winters in Egypt and India, but have decided that all succeeding terms for women missionaries should be seven winters, as that is a long enough time in an oriental climate.

The length of the term of service in the Sudan and Abyssinia is not changed at present.

HONOR ROLL

Year Ending April 15, 1927

Here follow the names of all who have paid their pledges for foreign salaries in such fashion that there were no deficits in their accounts when the treasurer closed her books, April 15, 1927:

	Number of Salaries pledged.
Allegheny Presbyterial	1
Avalon Sabbath School	1
Avalon Congregation	1
Bellevue Organizations	1
Eleventh Congregation organizations	1
First Congregation	2
Friends	1
Fourth Congregation	1
Second Congregation Organizations	2
Valencia Congregation	1
Albany and Puget Sound Presbyterials,	part
Arkansas Valley Presbyterial	2
Argyle Presbyterial	1
Beaver Valley Presbyterial	2
Second, New Castle Congregation	2
Big Spring Presbyterial	1
Boston Presbyterial	1
Butler Presbyterial	1
Caledonia Presbyterial	1
Rochester, N. Y. Congregation and Bible School	1
Chartiers Presbyterial	2
Chartiers and Greenside Avenue Congregations	1
Second, Washington, Congregation	1
Chicago Presbyterial	1
Cleveland Presbyterial	1
Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Wiegering	1
Colorado Presbyterial	1
College Springs Presbyterial	1
Conemaugh Presbyterial	1
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller	1
Cedar Rapids Presbyterial	2
Delaware Presbyterial	1
Walton, N. Y., Congregation and Sabbath School	1
Des Moines Presbyterial	1
Frankfort and Wisconsin Presbyterials	part,
Hudson Presbyterial	1
Indiana Presbyterial	1
Kansas City Presbyterial, Princeton, Indiana, W. M. S., Wilkinsburg Organizations, and Y. W. M. S., Second Pittsburgh.	1
Pittsburg, Kansas	1
Idaho, Oklahoma, Texas and Uncompahgre Presbyterials	part
Keokuk Presbyterial	1
Second, Washington, Iowa, Congregation	1
Kiskiminetas Presbyterial	part
Lake Presbyterial	1
Cochranton and Utica Congregations	1
Los Angeles Presbyterials	1
First Congregation, Los Angeles	1
Mansfield and Northern Indiana Presbyterials	part
Mercer Presbyterial	1
New Wilmington Congregation	1
Monmouth Presbyterial	3
Woods Sisters	1
Monongahela Presbyterial	2
Helen T. Brown	part
Mrs. Wm. Campbell	1

Dr. and Mrs. Ewing and Ladies Bible Class of Donora, Pa. ..... part
Mrs. J. D. Sands 1
Carnegie Congregation 1
Coraopolis Congregation 1
West End Presbyterian Church 1
Homewood Congregation 1
Oakmont and Oakdale Congregations ..... part
Mt. Lebanon Congregation 1
Shadyside Organizations 2
First, Wilkinsburg, Congregation 1
Second, Wilkinsburg, Congregation 1
Sixth Congregation and Organizations 4
Muskingum Presbyterial 2
Ohio First Presbyterial 2
Ohio Northwestern Presbyterial 1
Omaha Presbyterial 1
North Bend Congregation 1
Oregon Presbyterial 1
Pawnee and Philadelphia Presbyterials .. 1
Philadelphia Presbyterial 2
Norris Square Sabbath School 1
Anna A. Milligan 1
Rock Island Presbyterial 1
San Francisco Presbyterial 1
Southern Illinois Presbyterial 1
Marissa Congregation 1
Sparta Congregation 1
Steubenville Presbyterial 1
Westmoreland Presbyterial 8
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ramsey 1
First McKeesport Congregation 1
Greensburg Congregation 1
Wheeling Presbyterial 1
Xenia Presbyterial 2
Young Women's Special 1
Young Women's Special and Try Circle Class, Kansas City, Mo. .....part

Here follow reports as received from our four different fields:

THE YEAR IN INDIA

Seventy Missionaries Supported by the Women's Board

DISTRICT EVANGELISTIC WORK

OUR Mission Field in India covers twenty-five thousand one hundred and fifty-four square miles. Living in about twelve thousand cities and villages are over five million souls to whom we must give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. Our Missionaries live in nineteen different station centers. District work is the means used for reaching the masses of the people. It is a tale of gypsy camps on rough and smooth roads, of hardships and romance, inspiration and discouragement, and glimpses into the homes and villages of the great mass of Christian and non-Christian Indians. In these reports all of the year's work is not told, but we hope what they tell will serve as an inspiration for prayer and a challenge to Faith.

Reports were beautifully written in full. We regret that we were compelled to condense, owing to lack of space.

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT WORK IN INDIA

SIALKOT DISTRICT

There are about six thousand Christians in Sialkot District. Two villages a day are visited. Out of five hundred and forty-six girls and women of teachable age, three hundred and twenty-four have added to their knowledge of the Bible. Less than a dozen of this number can read. One new girls' school has been organized in this district.

AGNES BALLANTYNE,
EVELYN CATHCART

GUJRANWALA DISTRICT

Christian Work

The pastors and their wives in this district are doing a splendid work.

The Summer Bible School has proved a great help. The Bible woman in Natt, working among the Christian women, has been doing a good work and sixty women and girls of her village have learned a number of new Bible stories during the year, which meant much to the village life. These women are keenly interested in the Thank-Offering and have their own missionary society. The village school work has decreased somewhat.

RUTH ARDREY
HAZEL BENNETT

Non-Christian Work

Many of the village homes are open to the missionaries. Literacy among women is on the increase. Hundreds of women and girls have heard the Gospel during the last months, and the attitude of the people, on the whole, has been good.

HAZEL BENNETT
RUTH ARDREY

GURDASPUR DISTRICT

Eighty days were given to work in Gurdaspur City, during which time four hundred and seventy-five homes were visited, in each one of which we received a welcome. Aside from these, non-Christians were visited in one hundred and seventeen villages in the district.

FANNIE C. MARTIN

ZAFARWAL DISTRICT

All the Christians in this district were visited at least once during the year. The work is very encouraging and the teachers well received, although it is hard to overcome the old superstitions of the people.

NANCY HADLEY
JANET NESBITT

PASRUR DISTRICT

In some of the villages of this district much interest is manifested in the Gospel teachings, while little interest is shown in other villages. In the village of Cheleke we had the pleasure of seeing all who had studied with us publicly confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. A great interest is shown in the Thank-Offering.

EVELYN TROMANS
MARY KYLE

BADOMALI DISTRICT

In camp we have preached to as many as seventy-five women and children in a day, but the average is forty-five, of whom two-thirds are Christians. From this District there are about thirty-five girls in Boarding School, and about seventy in schools in their own villages.

THERESA BROWNLEE
ROMA BEATTY

JHELUM DISTRICT

Four months were spent in camp during the year, going about among the villages of Jhelum District. Beside the center of Christian influence in Jhelum City, there are but two small Christian communities in all this great district of 600,000 people, so the greater part of the time was spent in work among non-Christians. For the most part we were kindly received and permitted to give the messages. During the year one hundred and twenty-four Scripture portions were sold.

In connection with our work we have travelled twenty-nine miles in a native cart, six miles on a camel, fifty-two on ponies, twenty-seven on foot, seven in a trolley, eighty-seven

by train, and six hundred and one miles in the Ford.

MARY E. LOGAN

RAWALPINDI DISTRICT

In various ways God has answered the prayers of His people for blessings on His Word in Rawalpindi District this year. He gave a good harvest, so the people were free from constant thought of physical hunger. Many of them were ready to listen to a plea to open their hearts in praise and thanks to the great Giver of every good gift and receive His best gift, the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the bread of life.

Many portions of Scripture were distributed among the natives.

ZARRA HOON
MARY LAWRENCE

PATHANKOT DISTRICT

From February until November there was one American and one Indian to work among the hundred thousand women and girls in this district, and there was no one else to visit the zenanas in the town so we went among them when we could. The Bible woman spoke to 3,452 women, Hindus and Mohammedans. The people were ready and anxious to listen to the Gospel.

Seventy portions of the Scripture, a number of the Psalms and a New Testament were sold in one day at a fair.

HENRIETTA MOORE
SARA MOORE
MARGARET FEHLMAN

SANGLA HILL DISTRICT

Two months of intensive camping work enabled us to visit most of our Christian villages. Many visits were paid to non-Christian homes, especially to those of the Head-Men of the villages. The Christian work is encouraging now. There is attention, a better spirit and more desire to learn.

SARA MOORE
LORENA TAYLOR

KHANGAH DOGRAN AND SHIEKHUPURA DISTRICT

An encouraging difference was noted between even the uneducated Christians and non-Christians in these districts. The people listened with interest to the Bible Stories told.

MAUD MILLER
VIVIAN TRIMBLE

LYALLPUR DISTRICT

During the eight days we were in this district the women stopped twice each day on their way to and from the cotton fields to listen to the messages from the Gospel. They manifested a great interest.

ESTHER MOYER

NORTH SARGODHA DISTRICT

The year 1926 is memorable because of our first extended trip in the non-Christian villages of the North Sargodha District. In the first place at which we stopped we found a fine testimony to the "Special Evangelistic Week." For some years the women of the Sargodha Church had paved the way by their visits, and we were made welcome in every corner of the town.

Throughout the district we were made welcome and our messages received with understanding. Through the year there has been much to encourage us, and open doors everywhere.

KATE HILL
MARGARET MURDOCH

SOUTH SARGODHA DISTRICT

Sixty-five villages were visted during the year, some of them being revisited two to five times. One day we taught four groups of non-Christians totaling one hundred and twenty people. One of our encouragements has been our one village school. The teacher has been showing remarkable zeal in teaching the Bible. The little Mohammedan girls have rivalled the Christian girls in their knowledge of Scripture. The teacher has not confined her interest to the school but has taught the young women of the village, seven of whom received prizes this year for reciting twelve Bible stories. We have now asked her to include in her duties a bi-monthly visit to a nearby village, where she is to start another society. At a recent Communion service twelve of the young women taught by her and four of her school girls confessed Christ and joined the Church.

EDNA WARD
LAURA REYNOLDS

CAMPBELLPUR DISTRICT

Thirty-two villages were visited during the camping season, some sections being visited for the first time. The women are almost friendly and ready to listen to the Gospel until a man comes along who warns them against us and our teaching. One of our greatest encouragements is the opening of Girls' Schools in some of the most bigoted sections. Education is breaking down prejudice among the men, and there will be a greater change when the young women are also educated.

ELLA M. GORDON
CARRIE WORMAN

EDUCATIONAL WORK

When our Lord said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me," He gave an inspiration to His people to be mindful of these His little ones. Miss Elizabeth Gordon, our first lady missionary, gathered together a few orphan girls, who formed a nucleus for the starting of schools. One of these girls became the wife of one of our first self-support pastors. Another was a faithful Bible-woman in Sialkot city for years.

In 1879 the Sialkot Boarding School was started and it created a real sentiment in the minds of some of the people for the possibilities of an educated woman-hood. Then the need of a High School was felt and the Avalon High School was started. The famine of 1901 was the cause of the opening of a school, which later became the Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur. Then the opening of canals by the Government through the desert portions, caused the people to seek homes in this new territory, and the Sangla Hill Boarding School was started. For the same reason, the Sargodha School was opened.

Now with the development of the northern part of our Mission, the pressing need of a Boarding School north of the Jhelum is very apparent. May this need to be realized by the women of the W. G. M. S. and may they give of their money for the opening of a boarding school so that the little girls of this great territory may be given the opportunity, which we have always considered our right, that is—enough education to be able to read and understand God's Word.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SIALKOT

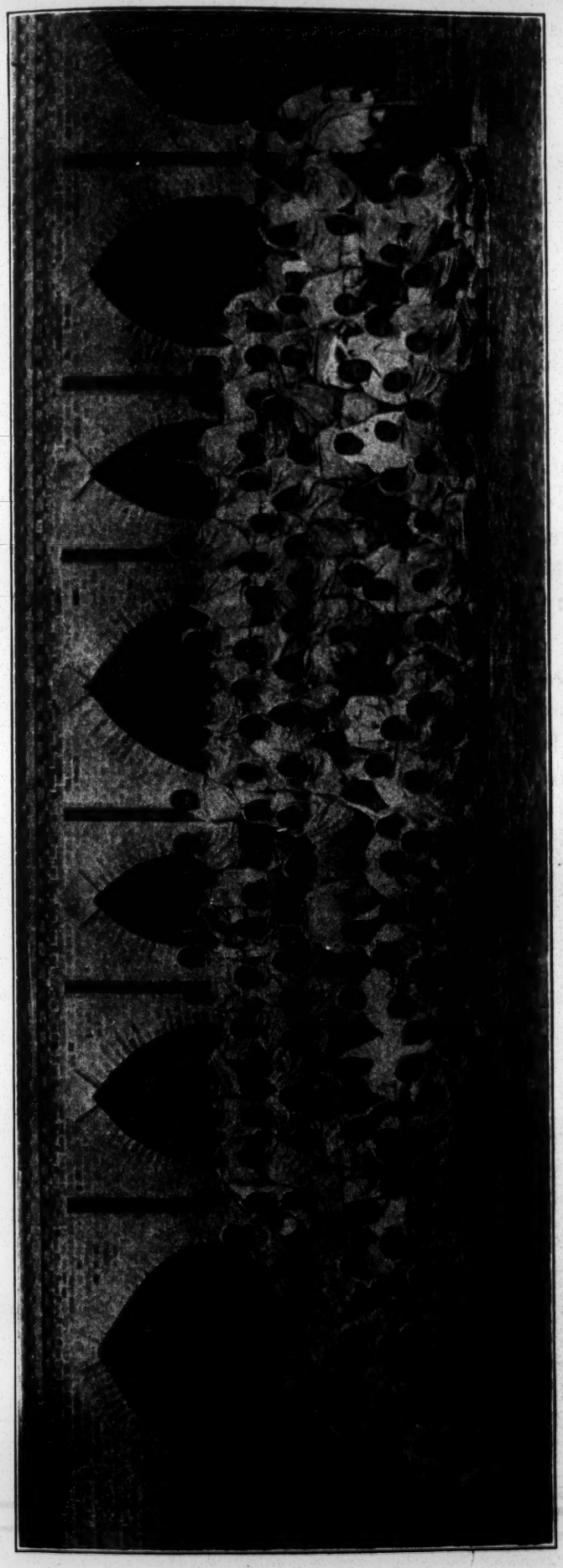
The year that has closed has been one of favor and blessing. While plague and small-pox were all around us last winter, even on the compound, and while influenza has been claiming the lives of strong young men in the Christian Training Institute, our girls have kept well. Nothing more serious than the usual number of fever cases, colds, and minor infections have developed. One of our little ones has had an infection in her scalp, and has suffered dreadfully from the drastic treatment which has been given. One of her little friends who was standing sympathetically by this evening, while the dressing was being done, remarked, "I am going to pray that God will make Ulfat's head well soon." The Great Physician has been our helper all along, and has blessed the means used for the girls.

After the fever of the summer, when the girls come back from their villages in October, one can almost see their faces rounding out and their bodies getting stronger. Our school is a pleasant, happy bee-hive, with 140 girls studying, sewing, washing, mending and playing.

The girls take a lively interest in all the organizations of the church. We have Senior and Junior Missionary Societies, a Christian Endeavor, a W. C. T. U. and a wide-awake Sabbath School, all in charge of the Indian teachers. The practical work in which they are most interested is that of the Home Mission Field, and they give liberally of their scanty pocket money to help the missionaries there. Twenty-five girls united with the church this year after completing the work of the communicants class, which we held in connection with the Sabbath School. Mrs. Mary Samuel spent several days with us, bringing some very helpful messages to us all.

PLAYGROUND SANGLA HILL GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

We have sixteen girls in our Normal Department. They have been doing good work, but are handicapped by not having suitable quarters and buildings. We are anxious to have a separate building for the Normal. We are fortunate in having secured the services of a teacher for this department who has both B. A.



SANGLA HILL GIRL'S BOARDING SCHOOL.

and B. T. degrees, and is at the same time an earnest Christian young woman.

OLIVE LAING
LOIS BOYD

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SANGLA HILL

The year closed with an enrollment of one hundred and thirty-seven boarders and six day pupils. In addition to our staff of twelve teachers, we have a nurse, who came to us after finishing her training in the Sialkot Memorial Hospital last year. She came at a time when we had five cases of malignant malaria and her services were doubly needed. We lost one of the five cases — a fourteen year old girl.

The teachers with ourselves have this year organized a club that meets once a week. The first hour of the evening is spent in reading and in discussing subjects that are helpful to the teachers in their work. The second hour is given over to playing games.

Five girls appeared for Government examination and all passed. Of these, three are studying in the Normal Department at Sialkot; one

has entered a hospital to train for nursing, and the other one is married. Their teacher deserves great credit for the good results, for she is only an eighth class girl with vernacular training. An eighth class girl won a silver medal in a contest held in connection with the W. C. T. U. Convention in Sialkot in December. Nineteen girls united with the church during the year. The Sabbath School, Christian Endeavor and Missionary Societies have been carried on as usual. The Thank-Offering was forty dollars.

JEAN BLACK
FLORA JAMESON

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, PASRUR

The year which has just closed will go down in the history of Pasrur School as the year in which our first eighth class graduated. We had nine girls to go up for the Government examination and there was great rejoicing on the part of the Staff and pupils, when the returns were received that all had passed. Four of these girls are now preparing to be teachers; three are studying in Avalon and the other two are at home. At present we have 139 boarders and thirty day pupils. The attendance is somewhat lower this year because many girls were detained at home by illness. A very bad form of fever swept over this part of the country but we are thankful that our girls kept well in the midst of it all.

One little girl, who was in the fourth class last year, and was expecting to come back after vacation, died in her home the day school opened. She had washed her clothes and her hair and was ready

THE STAFF OF THE SANGLA HILL GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL
Miss Flora Jameson, Miss Jean Black in charge.

to come back when she was taken ill and died in a few hours.

Only three girls joined the church during the year, but we have a communicants' class of twenty-five in preparation for the coming communion. Much of the credit of the good work of the school is due to our faithful staff of twelve teachers all of whom are much interested in the welfare of the girls.

RUTH A. WARNOCK

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, SARGODHA

This is the newest boarding school in the Mission, having been started in November 1922. The school opened with seven pupils and one trained teacher. We now have six teachers, who were trained in the Normal class of the Sialkot school, with seventy boarders and twelve day pupils.

The Prayer group and Junior society meet ever week. During the four years thirty-five girls have united with the church by public profession. We had "White Gift" Christmas in Sargodha, the offering being added to the "New Church Building Fund." Although the school girls have very little spending money they had a very real part in the Christmas offering. For weeks before Christmas they saved what they could of their weekly supply of flour, rice, pulse, spices, etc. These supplies were sold and the proceeds added to their own few coppers, made their Christmas gift. It was a real sacrifice and one which brought great blessing and joy to the girls.

BETSY FLEMING

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day

GIRLS' MIDDLE SCHOOL, RAWAL PINDI

This is a very old school, and when I first took charge of it in 1897 it was a Primary school with all the books and supplies provided by the Mission. After a year I felt the people were quite able to buy their own books, and would probably be more interested in the school if they did so. There were a good number of scholarship holders and I insited that these should give four annas a month as a fee. In course of time we charged all the pupils, except for the very poor, a small fee each month (a thing which no other school in the city yet does) and still the school continued to grow.

At that time there were few girls' schools in the Punjab, and very rarely did one meet a non-Christian Indian who believed in an educated womanhood. In the early days, the pupils were mostly Hindus as the Moslem religious leaders were all strongly opposed to education for women. A few of the parents were very eager to see their daughters educated. I well remember when one bright girl was prepared for her Upper Primary examination. She was the first from the school to take it, and there was only one Inspectress in the whole of the Punjab. While she was being examined the brother stood by the door awaiting the result and when the word was given out that the girl had passed, he rushed home to give the good news to the parents.

Time passed and the school became a Middle School, but the upper classes are still small. Regular Bible instruc-

tion is given in every class. We do not have a teacher of Bible alone, but the Bible teaching is given by the regular teachers.

JOSEPHINE L. WHITE

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL, SIALKOT

Our little school in the city for Moslem and Christian girls has been having a struggle for existence, but is still maintaining its right to live. First there was the opposition of the new Moslem school in the immediate neighborhood and the consequent falling off in attendance; then the fear of losing some of our Government Grant and the anxiety as to where to find funds to meet a debt which had been accumulating during the past two or three years due to increase in teachers' salaries and general running expenses. Kind Providence has provided the funds to tide us over. The Government Inspectress says that the school is making progress, and our grant has been increased. We still have sixty girls, about forty Moslem and twenty Christian girls under the instruction of three conscientious Christian teachers. Since January 1st we have started an English class, which has been very popular. The Government is expecting to open a High school for girls of Sialkot District this year. We want to do our bit in getting the girls ready to go on for higher education and incidentally to make our school as attractive as the new one by introducing English.

The Deputy Directress of Education in the Panjab asked me, "Does your little school pay as an evangelistic agency?" I was at a loss for a minute to know how to answer her for in the years that I have known the school, there have been no converts from among our girls, but they are too young to leave their homes, and so could not be baptized. Who can say that it is not worth while to teach sixty little children day after day, for two hundred and forty days in the year the stories from the life of Christ, and the old patriarchs and to store their minds with verses from God's Word? Surely this is the good ground the Master told us of, and in the day of judgment the reaping angels will no doubt bring to light some fruit from this service to the glory of God the Father.

M. LOIS BOYD

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, LYALLPUR

On the whole the work of the school has been very encouraging the past year. We have one hundred little Moslem, Hindu, Sikh and Christian girls which is more than we have ever had before. They are as happy a bunch of little girls as one could find anywhere. It is most encouraging to hear them all pray in Christ's name, and to see the real child-like faith they have in prayer, because of so many answers to definite prayers which they have prayed lately. One of the older Moslem girls said recently, "Now I know that Christ is true and He does hear us. I have tested Him many times lately and He has never failed me once. Mohammed could never do that." A Sikh girl said, "Our gods cannot do what your Christ does."

Twice during the year the school building has been broken into. Once all the clothes the girls had made in sewing class were stolen, and the second time only the locks on the doors and cupboards were broken, but neither time did the thieves enter the room in which we have daily chapel. The girls all say that this is because every one knows that God dwells in that room, and anyone would be punished by Him, who would go there to steal. These girls need our prayers that they may take the step that will mean for them eternal life.

JANETTE M. HOWLAND

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, JHELUM

It gives me great pleasure to say that notwithstanding sickness and other hinderances the school has continued to progress throughout the year. We have lost more girls than usual and yet the number on the roll shows an increase. Our serious losses were from the upper classes. Girls would be taken out with scarcely any notice, because of the transfer of the parents to some distant station. Six girls left us in this way. One Hindu girl of the sixth class was married; another became engaged and her fiance thinks that she should not attend school any longer.

The girls, however, are learning how to study, and so are taking more interest in their subjects than ever before. Great encouragement comes from the fact that the girls of the different religions are taking a great deal of interest in the Christian instruction and enter heartily into the singing of the Psalms, the reciting of texts, and telling of Bible stories. We hold a "Sabbath School" on Saturday mornings at which all of the girls are present. Our average attendance during the year has been seventy. Our Government Grant has been increased over seven rupees a month since last April.

MRS. A. B. CALDWELL

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, KHANGAH DOGRAN

During the winter and early spring the attendance in the school kept increasing and interest among the women was good. Hannah the teacher was enthusiastic and untiring in her efforts, especially in the Bible classes. The girls, who were attending were doing good work and the school was making splendid progress. Then suddenly nearly half of the girls stopped attending and we found out that because of jealousy a false report had been started that the teacher's family was leaving. This of course, meant that she would have to go, too, and that the school would have to be closed. Many of the parents decided that if it was to be closed there was no need in sending their girls any longer, so kept them at home. Hannah tried to overcome the disastrous results of this false report, and kept right on faithfully with the remaining fifteen or twenty girls.

At the first of October her people really decided to leave, and as she had a chance of a position in a larger school, it was decided to close the school then. Now that the school is closed the parents are anxious to have it opened again; although they are all non-Christians, mostly Mos-

lems, they prefer the Mission School for their girls, rather than a Government school.

VIVIAN L. TRIMBLE

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL, SHEIKHUPURA

We are happy to report an increased interest and attendance over last year. During the past year there have been about fifty enrolled as pupils at different times. We have about equal numbers each of Sikhs, Hindus and Moslems in the school, all of whom are very much interested in their work, and trying hard to make it a success. At Christmas they gave a program, which was well attended by the mothers and sisters. The teacher, though untrained, is putting forth her best efforts in the interest of the school, and is well liked by the pupils and their parents. Her splendid Christian example is of real service among these non-Christian families.

VIVIAN L. TRIMBLE

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL, MARTINPUR

Martinpur school has been hindered during the year by an epidemic of plague. It was so serious that everyone moved out of the village to live in temporary huts made of sticks and grass. Many felt they could not send their girls alone because of the distance, so the attendance dwindled and the work done was most unsatisfactory. When the rats began to die all about the building, the school had to be closed. The attendance at the close of the year was 62.

Interest in perfect attendance has been increased by the promise of a silver star to be placed opposite the pupil's name on the chart at the end of the month. Some few girls have won the coveted star for the past four months.

Six girls passed the fifth standard and entered the Sangla School to continue the work of the higher grades. Two new teachers began work during the year and both have helped to raise the standard of the first and second grades.

I wish that you might have been in the school at Christmas time to see the children when each received one of the much longed for dolls from that supply box from America! No gift can compare with the doll from across the water. The children in Sangla decided to make and send gifts to the children in Martinpur school, and with their gifts sent letters suggesting that next year they might plan together to make some other children happy. One class made playthings from brightly colored paper; another made Christmas greeting cards; the tiny ones made strings of paper beads. Martinpur girls were happy, but I am sure that the Sangla girls were happier.

Perhaps the greatest joy came to me through being able to persuade one girl who seemed always to be on the street, to return to the fourth grade. It is good to see her interest as she now attends regularly. What was done for her could be done for many more if we could have a missionary to work among the women

and girls, for so few of the mothers have any idea of the value of education for girls. If they could be interested, the new school building, which has been started, would soon be filled. Please pray for Martinpur; that if it is His will, a missionary may be sent to them to live in their midst, to teach them to live, and pray and work for Christ.

FLORA J. JAMESON

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL, PATHANKOT

The Vernacular for Moslem Girls was taken over by the Municipal Committee as a Government School, and was closed as a Mission school in March. In place of this a school for the poor children in the low caste quarter of the town was opened on the verandah of the church. The teacher in charge has been most faithful, not only in teaching the Bible and secular subjects to the little girls, but in gathering them up from their homes each day, and in overcoming the prejudice of the parents against sending their girls.

The low caste community of Pathankot is small but nineteen girls and one small boy from among them and three little Moslem girls have been enrolled. The children attend the primary department of the Sabbath School, and they now come in clean clothes. One day we arranged for the kindergarten and primary children of Avalon to have games with the children of the verandah school in the church yard. When they knew it, they begged the teacher to allow them to go home and put on clean clothes. This marks real progress, especially when we realize the indifference, and sometimes, opposition of the parents which we have had to overcome.

A number of the Moslem girls who attended our school in the town have begged to be allowed to come, but until these *basti* children have been better established in their desire to come to school, we have thought it not wise to encourage them. Enlargement of the school would mean an added teacher and added expense. Some of the children have shown eagerness and aptitude for learning, and our prayer is that through them we may reach their parents who have so little desire for higher and better things.

E. JOSEPHINE MARTIN

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, ABBOTTABAD

We have met with many vicissitudes. A neighboring Hindu school coaxed away seven of our most advanced girls. When we moved the school, several of those who lived farthest away decided it was too far for them to come to us. Two of our girls have entered boarding schools in Lahore. Notwithstanding, we feel we are in an excellent location and hope to build up a larger and better school than we have ever had before. We have intimate daily contacts with the children, who are deeply interested in the Bible lessons. We do follow up work in the homes. The faithful witness of Christian teachers is all telling and must surely produce a rich harvest in time and eternity.

JEAN MORRISON

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS, GUJRANWALA CITY

The two schools for Christian girls in the low-caste quarters of Gujranwala City have an enrollment of forty-nine. Twelve girls are reading the New Testament. Our aim is to get these girls so interested in the Bible that they will keep up the reading of it when they are married and go to other places. A difference has been noticed in the conduct of some of these girls since they began this reading. Our prayer is that it may influence all their future lives.

ROSE A. MCCULLOUGH

Prayer Cycle Nineteenth Day.

VILLAGE SCHOOLS, GURDASPUR

We have had one hundred and forty-eight girls studying in the village schools. I awarded six Psalm Memory Contest pins to girls in the Dhariwal school. Each had recited ten Psalms. They were delighted with the neat little pin sent out by the Women's General Missionary Society.

F. C. MARTIN

Prayer Cycle Twenty-First Day.

MEDICAL WORK

Those who support the work of the Women's Board in India will be interested in the following resume of the work for 1926. There are four hospitals and six dispensaries with a staff of three missionary doctors, four missionary nurses, five Indian doctors, and thirty-three Indian nurses. In this past year 66,200 different patients were treated. This does not count repeated treatments. It means that over 66,000 persons heard the gospel and had it impressed upon their lives through the ministry of healing. These patients in return carried a witness to their homes and often a gospel portion or tract. The Medical work cost the Women's Board twenty thousand and fifty-three dollars.

This report is sent with the prayer that it may encourage women in the church in America, in their great work of love and gifts and intercession.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT

No. of Doctors 1 missionary.
No. of Nurses 2 missionaries.
No. of Nurses 11 Indian.
No. of Assistants 8 Indian.
One missionary Evangelist.
55 Beds
838 In-Patients.
200 Major Operations.
510 Minor Operations.
13,352 Dispensary Patients.

The report of the work of the Memorial Hospital, for the year 1926 has many encouraging aspects. The number of patients visiting the dispensary and the number admitted to the indoor department have increased considerably over the previous year. There has been more demand for surgical work. Nowadays the women have gotten over their fear of operations. They are also learning to bring their babies to the hospital when first taken ill, and not waiting till little can be done, after they have passed through the hands of many quacks. The propaganda which we have been carrying on in the hospital and in the annual Baby Health Week has begun to take effect in better care of babies.

Early in December the boys in the Christian Training Institute were seized by an epidemic of influenza.

It came in such a virulent form that five boys died before much could be done for them. A quarantine was soon established, and every boy given an examination. One of the dormitories was turned into a hospital ward, and two of our nurses took charge. It was a busy time as many of the patients were very sick and needed careful watching. After the treatment was started and quarantine established, no more cases were lost. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Foster worked faithfully night and day. Their presence and cheering words kept up a good morale. God's goodness was very manifest all through this trying time.

We are all rejoicing these days, because our dreams of a new hospital are about to be realized. A new site has been chosen, but not yet purchased. Plans are being drawn up by a special committee for the purpose. These will soon be ready with estimates to present to the Mission and the Women's Board. It is going to take much prayer and trust and faith to put through this big scheme, but we know that such a hospital is needed for the furtherance of the Kingdom. Let us attempt big things for God, in faith believing that He will not fail us.

REBA HUNSBERGER, M. D.

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

NURSES' TRAINING, SIALKOT HOSPITAL

During the year that has just passed, we graduated one nurse who had completed her training. She is now working as nurse in our school at Sangla Hill. We have some difficulty in getting girls with qualifications to meet all the requirements of the Nurses Training Association of India. They have a three years' course, after which they give one year's service to the Mission. We need your prayers in the training of these girls, that we may be a real help to them in their growth in the knowledge of Christ.

VIOLA NOURSE, R. N.

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

The Bible work in connection with the hospital has been a little more encouraging this year. Every day God's Word is preached, and some believe, though Satan is very clever at snatching it from their hearts. He sometimes stages circumstances before they leave the building that send them away with wounded spirits, unable to hold to the truth they have just heard. Often the inertia and lassitude due largely to their physical condition and home surroundings, make them unable to will to do what they feel is God's call to them, to come out and confess Him. Much progress has already been made. One way in which this is noticeable, is in their willingness to take home portions of Scripture. We know that some of these are being read, sometimes by the assembled family. "God's Word is quick and powerful." It must come to fruitage in many of these lives, which have been under its influence for so long.

A number have already confessed faith in Christ as their Savior. Jesus, who has won their hearts, can also give them courage to confess Him before their friends by word and by life to His own praise. While

there are still very many of the old school who are full of prejudice and fanaticism, yet a difference is quite noticeable. Many, many homes openly call to us to teach. However it is not yet much easier to become a Christian than it used to be. Satan can still command an overwhelming army to seek to destroy such as would believe in Jesus.

A woman lately told me that all of the women of her household had become firm believers in Christ. She said, "My husband is "——" here she hesitated, not liking to say the word —"a Mohammedan, but I was baptized many years ago by an Indian pastor here. You would laugh at the name he gave me—Rose. All these years I have taught the women and children that Jesus died for our sins, we are to give our lives to Him. And I do, day by day." She thinks she has hidden this from her neighbors, but of course they all know it. They tell her she is crazy. There are many, many hidden ones awaiting the chance to come out. Can you not pray them through into the full life and light of Christ's gospel?

HENRIETTA COWDEN

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, PASRUR

No. of Doctors 1 Indian.
No. of Nurses 5 Indian.
No. of Assistants 10 Indian.
1 Superintendent Missionary
28 Beds
438 In-Patients
50 Minor Operations
7492 Dispensary Patients.

Like all other institutions of its kind, White Memorial Hospital has had some very interesting patients this year. Often the people will not come, or will not bring their friends until they are dying, and then we have no chance to save them. One day a man brought his wife, and before they could carry her into the yard she was dead. The hospital is outside the city walls, and the authorities do not approve of dead bodies being carried from the hospital to homes inside the city. One night an elder of the congregation brought his twelve year old grandson to us. He had been ill for two days. The next morning the aged grandmother came to sit by him, and the men went to their work. About noon the nurse saw that the boy was dying, and the father and the grandfather were called. As soon as they saw the child's condition, they quickly changed him from the hospital bed to the cot on which they had brought him, and raising the bed to their heads, they hurried from the compound and across the street into the city. In reality the boy was dead, before they got outside the hospital ground, but fortunately they were not questioned by anyone, and so reached their home in safety, and had the funeral from there. The staff has been very faithful in its service. The absence of a registered nurse has retarded the progress of the nurses so far as examinations are concerned. They have done well in the practical work.

It was a great occasion for rejoicing when Dr. White returned, in January. She was enthusiastically welcomed by young and old alike.

LAURELLA DICKSON

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

Transferred to Pathankot.

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHELUM

No. of Doctors 1 missionary.
No. of Doctors 1 Indian.
No. of Nurses 1 missionary.
No. of Nurses 12 Indian.
No. of Assistants 2 trained Indian
33 Beds
578 In-Patients
19 Major Operations.
174 Minor Operations.
9780 Dispensary Patients.

The year 1926 has been in many ways a very pleasant and eventful one in Good Samaritan Hospital. The number of in-patients and dispensary patients has exceeded all previous years. We have spent much time in white-washing, enamelling the operating room tables, and in improving the general appearance of the place, and all for a tour of inspection from the Vice-Reine. We had been told that the tour would last only twenty minutes, and so we had gone through the performance, as to just how we were to curtsey, and where the nurses were to stand, and where the patients were to remain. An arch of welcome was at the entrance of our alley into the hospital, and Indian embroidered shawls covered unsightly doors along the alley-way. Colored paper-flags on light rope waved over everything. We not only walked Lady Irwin quick step over the dispensary, operating room and wards, but also into the maternity ward where mothers and babies, all as happy as could be, greeted her. When it was all over we had our cameras ready, and asked if we might snap her picture, to which she happily agreed. She also acquiesced in our request to name the new twelve bed ward, which the Government is donating to us, after her. As she left the hospital, Rajah Gulum Mohajuddin, of Domeli, was introduced to Lady Irwin. He presented to her a portion of land, about twenty-seven feet square, for hospital use. We have coveted frontage on the main street, for many years, and now we have it.

Of the twenty-three indigenous mid-wives, that have been trained at our hospital since 1921, twenty have passed government examinations, and have certificates. Of the six obestetrical cases we have had, more than half were difficult labor cases. One was a neglected shoulder presentation, where the mother made a good recovery. The hubsand was so pleased at the care she had, that he asked if he might put a pump in the hospital well at his own expense as a thank offering. At first he had demurred at being asked to pay the usual fee of $8.00, but the installing of the pump must have cost him three times as much as the fee which he paid.

Mrs. Fazl Ilahi, our Indian Doctor, has been winning laurels for herself, in her talks to the women at Baby Health Week Exhibits. At least five hundred women met under a tent in our yard; the General's wife from the cantonments made introductory remarks, and then followed the talk on Infant Welfare and Feeding. Our prettiest nurse gave a bath to our seven-month-old hospital baby on the platform, to show the women how it ought to be done. Baby Mary smiled around at everyone to let them see how nice it was.

During evangelistic week last spring, our staff sold over three hun-

dred scripture portions, and visited homes and villages with great zeal. A few are sold continuously to patients. A young Mohammedan girl of good family, who was a patient several years ago in the hospital, has asked to be baptized, and we feel she is a real seeker after Christ.

J. PHANDORA SIMPSON, M. D.

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

During the past year we have graduated four nurses; all of whom are out in the work and doing nicely. Their places will be filled in April, and then we shall have eight in the Training School. It is with mingled feelings of joy and sadness that we send these nurses forth—sadness because of the parting and of the hard things they will have to meet, joy because they go forth strong in the Master, not only to minister to the bodily ailments of their sisters, but to the greater service of ministering to sin-sick souls.

Besides the many Indian homes where our nurses have assisted, our seniors have been out in five English homes during the year, doing private duty, averaging two to three weeks in each home. From each of these homes have come letters of praise and appreciation of their services.

EVA HARTIG, R. N.

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

MARY B. REID HOSPITAL, SARGODHA

No. of Doctors 1 Indian
No. of Nurses 2 Indian.
No. of Assistants 4 Indian.
1 Missionary Superintendent.
22 Beds.
211 In-Patients.
19 Major Operations.
50 Minor Operations.
3,613 Dispensary Patients.

Since I am not medically trained the professional part of the work is entrusted to the Indian staff. These girls have had their training in this country and have had some experience in their own particular line of work. Dr. Paul came to us three years ago on the completion of her training at Ludhiana Medical College. Miss David the compounder has been with us several years and is very capable and happy here. The head nurse has been here almost nine years. This year we have a new nurse, who has recently graduated from the Jhelum hospital. In my first days I witnessed such a wonderful transformation in a patient that I have had no doubt as to the ability of the staff. A woman came weakened by weeks of fever, and filthy with dirt. She was admitted, bathed, dressed in clean clothes, put into a clean bed, and immediately the fever left her. In a few weeks she returned to her home perfectly well. There have been many others helped in a more gradual way. Nearly all have had some relief from their bodily suffering, and all have heard the gospel.

There were no deaths among surgical patients. There were five deaths among our patients, most of whom were brought after all hope of life was given up. The hospital buildings have all had repair on the roofs, and a new wall has been built in front of the bungalow. The receipts from the sale of medicines, fees, and government grant amount to about one third of the running expenses of the hospital. Fees are charged for ad-

mittance except for special cases.

A capable Bible woman meets the women as they enter the Dispensary and seats them in line. She teaches a Bible lesson and then sends them in by turns. A Bible woman for follow up work in the city has been employed. She has found a welcome in many non-Christian homes, and we are expecting good fruit from her labor.

KATE SPENCER

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

BHERA DISPENSARY

No. of Doctors 1 Indian.
No. of Assistants 3 Indian.
1 Missionary Superintendent.
12 Beds.
80 In-Patients.
3 Major Operations.
78 Minor Operations.
7,539 Dispensary Patients.

The work has been going on as usual. Service is held with the Staff and patients every morning, and the Word preached during dispensing hours. Gospel portions and tracts are also sold and distributed. The women sit and listen quietly; though some are restless there has been no opposition and no visible enquirers, although one woman from a village confessed that she believed that Jesus was the Son of God, at which all the other women attacked her and said that it was blasphemy. She, however, remained firm in her confession.

A Brahmin woman came to us, who was seriously ill. After three months in the hospital she went away practically cured, and we have heard that she has a baby daughter. Not long ago we admitted the daughter of a so-called holy-man, famous for his work of incantation over evil spirits and mania. She had been ill for some months with what was diagnosed as puerperal mania. Her violence and foul language made it necessary to keep her under observation all the time. Treatment and change of place calmed her, and she was able to sleep and gradually began to get back her senses. Then we learned that she could read and write a little. When she was allowed more freedom, she would come and sit with the patients while they were being read to, and asked that some books be given her. She took the gospels of Matthew, Luke and John, and after reading them said, "From henceforth Jesus will be my Master, and you are my sisters." When her people saw her greatly interested, they took her away saying that they would come for medicine for her, which they did for a time. We ask that she be remembered with us in your prayers, and that we may be used by the Master in setting up His Kingdom in this hard city.

EDITH ALDRIDGE PRATT

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

ELLIOT DISPENSARY

No. of Nurses 1 Missionary.
No. of Assistants 3 Indian.
6,830 Dispensary Patients.

In spite of the fact that a number of changes have taken place in the management and staff of Elliot Dispensary, the work has gone steadily on. That so many women from the town and surrounding villages come and listen interestedly to the gospel message, proves that the Dispensary has supplied a real need. It also

proves that it has been a definite evangelistic agency and can be made more so. There are few Christians in Pathankot District and they are scattered over a large territory. Women come to the dispensary from almost inaccessible villages, either walking or being carried on beds, and they take back with them not only grateful hearts for the benefits received but messages which they hear of the great healer. Thus the seed is sown.

Health Week was held in March, under the patronage of the Deputy Commissioner of Gurdaspur District and his wife. The women of Pathankot showed their interest by attending in great numbers. The Staff rendered good service by giving lectures and explanatory talks on the displays and posters. These, with a drama given by a Domestic Science class of Avalon School, gave the women of Pathankot new ideas of health and sanitation, and emphasized the help that Elliot dispensary was prepared to give them.

JOSEPHINE MARTIN

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

There have been some interesting and interested patients who have come to the Dispensary during the last few months. It is a constant wonder to me how some of the babies and little children live. They wear so little clothing during this cold weather, and receive so little care when they are ill. Most women are interested in the Bible lessons. Only a short while ago a Mohammedan woman who had received some treatment for an infected hand, said, "Miss Sahiba, we love you people." What wonderful opportunity to tell of Him —the Great Physician, Whom we love.

Another Mohammedan woman came for many days, to have a little iodine applied to her hand, which was evidently as well as it could be. There was no pain, swelling or mark of any kind; yet she came each day. She could read, and would remain for an hour or more, listening to the Bible woman, read and teach, and would herself read the Psalm in a sing-song tone. It was plainly evident that she did not come for the medicine as much as for the Bible lesson.

I find my limited knowledge of Panjabi a great handicap, but a source of much amusement among the women.

FLORA HORMEL, R. N.

Prayer Cycle Twentieth Day.

SIALKOT CITY ZENANA WORK AMONGST CHRISTIANS

The Bible woman who works amongst the women and girls of Atari has been very faithful. She has a limited education but possesses zeal and perserverance, two excellent qualities for work amongst this class of people. Besides, she is one of themselves; many of them being her near relatives. She sets a good example in keeping her one room neat and clean.

When she began her work all the women and girls were illiterate. She has been instrumental in getting several of the girls to attend the day school for girls. Some have finished

the course which carries them through the fifth grade, qualifying them to enter the Girls' Boarding School.

For two years, without any assistance from the missionary, she has carried on a missionary society which gave Rs. 10 of a Thank-Offering last year and Rs. 6 this year. This is a very good showing considering all the circumstances. These people living in the low caste quarters are not so poor as their surroundings would lead one to think. Some, of course, *are* poor, but in a cause or under taking in which they are interested they can and do spend money freely.

My personal work for this year, as it was last, has principally been meeting on Friday mornings for prayer, conference and Bible study with my two Bible women and three others who work in the city. We spend an hour and a half together and then scatter for individual work. I, as well as the women, have found these meetings most interesting and profitable.

ELIZABETH MCCAHON

Prayer Cycle Eighteenth Day.

NON-CHRISTIAN WORK IN SIALKOT CITY

"I am heartily thankful to God concerning the Zenana missionary work in Sialkot City and for all the blessings that have come to me during the past year by means of this work.

In my district there are twenty-eight homes in each of which I make a visit every week (unless hindered), and cause them to hear the Word. Twenty-four of them are Moslem and four Mazhabi Sikhs. In each home I meet with not less than five persons and frequently more than that. Fourteen of the inmates of these homes can read.

In one home of the Ahmadiya sect of Moslems, during one of my visits the master of the house spoke to me of the birth of Christ. He said, "It is written in Matthew's Gospel that the angel appeared to Joseph, but in Luke that he appeared to Mary." Then addressing himself to the women of the house he said, "One of these accounts cannot be true." I said, "Why could it not be that he should appear to Mary as well as to Joseph?" Then I read to them both of the accounts of the birth of Christ. The Maulvi then said that Christians are very firm in their religion.

One day as I was passing a house in which I had never been, I noticed quite a number of women sitting, so I went in hoping to tell them the Word, but the mistress of the house would not permit me and spoke very unbecomingly. Several days later as I was passing that same house I saw that that woman's face was looking sad and hopeless, so I went near and saluting her, asked of her welfare. Her tears began to flow as she told me that her five year old boy had been missing for several days and no trace of him could be found. I prayed with her and spoke comforting words. She thanked me. My heart kept thinking of the lost boy so another day I went again to the house when the mother met me and with great joy said, "My boy has been found." Then she told me the boy had wandered off to the Cantonments where a gentleman found him and

kept him for two days and then advertised him through the police.

I then read to her Luke 15 and John 3:1-16 and told her that God's love is very great and very wonderful, including every one; and that Jesus Christ came and gave His life through love for the world. "Just as you love your boy," said I, "God loves everyone."

Every year in the city there is held a fair, particularly patronized by women and children, for the purpose of presenting offerings to Mata Rani, the goddess of smallpox. It lasts two days and we meet with the women and we give the Gospel to them. This year twenty-five Gospels were sold and a large number of illustrated tracts distributed. Besides these thirteen Gospels were sold in the city, in the daily visits.

I thank God that I can go into the homes without hindrance and proclaim the Word of God.

Written by The Bible Woman.
Translated by Elizabeth McCahon.
Prayer Cycle Eighteenth day.

GUJRANWALA

Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Thakar Dass, our two zenana workers in the city, have done good work during the year. Although we can report no baptisms from among our zenanas, we feel that in some places real faith has been shown.

The Hindus and the Mohammedans are trying very hard to win Christian girls and especially to get back all who have embraced Christianity from among them. Some men have forbidden their women and girls to read or listen to the Gospel. One Hindu woman with clasped hands begged the Bible woman to stop teaching the Bible to the Hindu women, saying, "For just as the Holy Spirit spoke to your heart through the Bible others will believe and accept Christ and our religion will be destroyed."

One thousand eight hundred seventy visits have been made in the city during the past year, and thirty-one women and girls have received regular instruction in English, Urdu or Panjabi, reading Scripture portions in one or the other of those languages.

Seventeen new houses were opened to us during the year, but four of these families have been transferred to other stations.

In some places the women have shown real faith in prayer offered in the name of Jesus and have stopped speaking against Christianity. They like to hear, sing and learn the Psalms. The women tell us, "All you teach is good, but one thing we cannot believe—that Jesus is the Son of God. How can it be when He is the Holy Spirit?" A young Mohammedan woman who was ill asked Mrs. Thakar Dass to pray for her in the name of Jesus and to sing the 51st Psalm.

In each place, one afternoon a week, prayer meetings were held for the Christian women.

ROSE A. MCCULLOUGH
Prayer Cycle Nineteenth Day.

JHELUM CITY

Faithful work has been carried on in the homes of Jhelum City during the past year. One hundred ninety-five women have received more or

less systematic teaching. Several of these own their own Testament or Scripture portion. Many more have heard the message just a few times.

In these days we occasionally find young men who encourage their wives to receive us into their homes because of the refining influence, contact with the Bible-women or lady missionary is supposed to impart.

MARY E. LOGAN

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

RAWALPINDI CITY

Mrs. Mary Samuel and Mrs. Daniel continue to be our Bible women. Mrs. Daniel reports eighty Moslem, fifteen Hindu and five Sikh homes, and Mrs. Samuel sixty homes more or less regularly visited. Mrs. Samuel does much work outside of her regular house to house visiting. She is often called upon to hold meetings in other places, as she is one of a very few that can do this.

I have arranged my work in the Girls' School so that I go with Mrs. Samuel on Saturdays, and as I can find time, with Mrs. Daniel.

A short time ago, while visiting one of the leading Sikh families in the city, the lady of the house spoke of the difficulty of becoming a Christian. She said, "One cannot come out alone, but if all the people in a place were to agree to come out together they could do so." It is encouraging to note with how much more freedom and respect they can now speak of Christianity than formerly.

One day as I came home from school, a woman wearing a Moslem head covering spoke to me, telling me where she lived and asking me to come and see her. The next Saturday I did so and found her a very young and pretty woman who told me that her father was a Christian. She said the man she has married is good to her, buys her a dress whenever she asks for it, and that she is happy.

In a house near by I found three wives of different ages. When I asked how many children there were, the eldest woman answered triumphantly, "None, else why should there be three wives here!" Hoping for children, these women often consent to the man bringing another wife into the home, but they get just as tired of her as Sarah did of Hagar, and quarrel bitterly.

"I have done zenana work for three years," says Mrs. Samuel, "and find it very enjoyable work. I have visited non-Christians of almost all creeds and, as a rule, have found them yearning for a higher and better life and a clearer revelation of God.

I find that what has kept people from listening to the full gospel message through the Lord Jesus Christ, is very gradually being done away with. Now they are not afraid to listen to the truth."

JOSEPHINE L. WHITE

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

RAWALPINDI CITY

One day before starting out to visit in the homes in the city, we prayed very definitely and earnestly that God would lead us to some hungering soul. We arrived at a door which stood open invitingly. Both felt here was the answer to our prayer. Receiving permission to enter, we

found a woman alone who neither gave us a welcome nor offered us a seat. As she was eating her meal, I explained the object of our visit and said we would return again to talk to her when she had finished eating. We wandered up and down the alley and around the neighborhood, asking ourselves if we had mistaken God's leading—whether He wanted us to find some other one—but no door opened to us and we returned to the Sikhni. She bade us enter though still ungraciously. Though the day was cold and the mud floor of her courtyard very damp, she offered us only a small piece of burlap on which we sat down cross-legged.

Then something happened. For three hours and more that woman drank in the words of life. She had never heard of nor imagined a Saviour who could really save from sin. She said, "I have read the Granth Sahib for years—it is my profession—and many come here to hear about salvation from me. I make a good living by reading our sacred book to my Sikh brothers and sisters; but I will tell you that I do not understand anything that I read. I have never known any of my sins to leave me. If Jesus Christ will really take sin out of my life I will throw my book away and follow Him."

I told her then about prayer, and that if she would seek God with an earnest desire to do what He told her, that she would find Him. We taught her to pray in the words of the eighty-sixth Psalm, "Teach me thy way O Lord; I will walk in thy truth; unite my heart to fear thy name." She learned this by heart and prayed that prayer often.

When we went to visit her again we found the house vacant and no one knew where she had gone. One day I met her on the road and she said, "The men who hear about my prayer say I must not pray—that you are trying to make a Christian of me—and they persecuted me until I had to leave that house. The people who used to hear me read the Granth Sahib didn't come any more. I had nothing to eat." Then breaking off suddenly she said, "What a nice dress you have on!" "Yes," I said, "Jesus gave it to me." She said, "But He doesn't give me anything," and I replied, "No, because you are not His yet." "I will go on seeking Him," she said.

Pray for this dear woman—a widow, middle-aged and alone in the world—pray that she may go on seeking until she finds the One whose name is Jesus.

MRS. MARY SAMUEL

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

RAWALPINDI CANTONMENT

We are two women in the Rawalpindi Cantonment. We go out daily to the houses of Hindus, Mohammedans and Christians, visiting four or five houses daily to preach the Word of God among the women. It is a bit difficult to make the non-Christian women understand who Christ is and what he has done for us all, for they have got their own teachings which have been taught to them since childhood. There are about thirty-five houses of non-Christians where

we go regularly and are welcomed. They pray and sing with us and listen very intelligently when we tell them about Christ and His doings. Many women know our psalms and parables, by heart.

We go also to the Christian homes as many of them are illiterate. We teach them verses, prayers and psalms and make them understand about Christ so that they may know what Christianity really means.

Rawalpindi is the biggest military station of its kind in India and the population is about one hundred thousand. We go two miles to a suburb, Lalkurti, where we have a number of uneducated Christians. Then there is a Government brick kiln about two miles off from where we live and we go there also to work.

MRS. IMAM DIN
MRS. WADHAWA MALL

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

SHIEKHUPURA CITY

Fazl Bibi, the faithful and conscientious Bible woman who works among women and girls in the zenanas of Shiekhupura city, continues to carry on her work. She goes regularly every day unless hindered by sickness and is not happy unless she is witnessing for Christ. Since Shiekhupura has become the head of the civil district the population has greatly increased, making her work much heavier. She is welcome in many more homes than she is able to visit. At present she is regularly visiting and teaching about sixty women, many of whom are learning with interest and enthusiasm the Bible stories and truths which she so tactfully teaches. She is well received wherever she goes and makes friends with all, whether they be rich or poor, high or low.

VIVIAN L. TRIMBLE

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

CAMPBELLPUR

It is not quite two years since Mrs. Solomon our Bible woman came to Campbellpur from Delhi. It was with much timidity she took up the work, for she had heard that the people of this far away place on the frontier were very bigoted and wild. But now she says, "I have no fear to go any place in the city because I find the people very friendly."

During these winter days her greatest opportunity is among the groups of women who gather in the sunshine for their needle work and spinning. She has at least seventy houses on her visiting list during the hot weather.

Two Hindu and two Mohammedan women have expressed their belief in Jesus Christ as *the Saviour*. One of these women died last October and the others have moved away. Mrs. Solomon says, "One of these women has often been a help to me by getting the women to come and hear her gramaphone and then telling them to listen quietly to God's Word. One of the women sent her an urgent invitation to visit her, offering to pay all her railway expenses. The fourth woman writes, "I am still a believer but I am helpless. Though my husband also is a believer he is afraid to make a public confession."

About one hundred Scripture portions have been sold.

ELLA M. GORDON
CARRIE WORMAN

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

ABBOTTABAD

It is a matter for thankful joy to record that the good news of the manifold grace of God has penetrated some of the villages and some of the homes in this district and this city. Abbottabad has not yet found the right Bible woman for the work in this place; but there has been a real blessing, and in their hearts we believe some have accepted Jesus as their Saviour. Lately there has been a good deal of opposition by Mohammedan men, several of our best homes having been closed to our visits. While the older generation is still very conservative, the younger generation is eager for education and touch with the outside world and is quite prepared to listen to and discuss the Gospel message.

JEAN MORRISON

Prayer Cycle Sixteenth Day.

VISITING IN AND AROUND MANSEHRA

One day a very big Maulvi Sahib (big in more senses than one) called on me to ask if I would visit his sick wife. His home was some eight or ten miles away, over rough country and this meant a night out, but I agreed to go. On the day appointed he called for me himself, a pompous but friendly man. Off we went on our ponies over some interesting wild country to a village no European woman had visited before. Maulvi Sahib informed me that at least half the people there were Turks, and the remainder Koresh.

I was conducted to a wee guest room in the courtyard, and after having some refreshment I visited my patient and had a talk with the family. Meanwhile the roofs of the houses around became crowded with women and children all eager to see me. I asked that they might be allowed to come into the courtyard and talk with me, and they soon crowded in. After a time I got about 40 or 50 seated more or less quietly around me, and we went through the usual preliminary questions and answers. That being over, and a friendly footing established, I gave them a short talk on what *not* to do under certain conditions of sickness and why. I have come to the conclusion that more women in this district die in child-birth or are ruined for life by mistaken treatment than from other causes.

As I finished my little talk the Maulvi Sahib walked into the courtyard. In such circumstances I always refer to the head of the house for permission to 'preach' (which has never been refused). I said to him, "Maulvi Sahib I have been telling these women about earthly things may I now tell them of heavenly things?" "Certainly, Mem Sahib, if you will not say anything against our religion." "No, I won't do that, come and listen yourself, Maulvi Sahib." "Oh, no I am busy just now, and must go to pray." So as simply as I could I spoke of sin and the need of pardon, and the women listened quietly.

Many of the women wanted me to visit in their homes that evening, but I could see that there was much jealously, so I let myself be guided by the Maulvi Sahib. Later still, when all the village was quiet he asked me to go with him, accom-

pained by another man, to see a purdah lady. I found a very sweet woman and her daughter. I don't believe she was sick at all, but had made an excuse of sickness in order to see me; and although I was very tired I was glad to brighten another dull, drear life by a friendly chat.

I returned to my little room for a good night's rest, and the next day left for home, the Maulvi's young brother-in-law accompanying me.

WINIFRED PATERSON

Mansehra, Hazara District.

Prayer Cycle Seventeenth Day.

THE "SARAH DAUGHERTY" BIBLE WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL.

This school met in Dhariwal in March. For ten days nearly all the Bible women of the Mission met together for earnest Bible study, prayer and practical work. The Epistle to the Hebrews was studied in the morning classes. Ten of the women had memorized nine chapters and four others had committed six or more chapters. Nearly all had made a careful study of the Epistle throughout the year and came to classes well prepared. The desire to learn, the real heart knowledge of the deep things of this wonderful letter and the splendid spirit of the women made the teaching of the classes a great joy and privilege. All seemed filled with wonder because of our great Saviour and the salvation He brought.

An afternoon party for Hindu and Mohammedan friends was a great success. It really took the form of an evangelistic meeting rather than a party, and the women were glad to have it so. Two or three women lingered behind to assure us of their own personal faith in Jesus Christ and to ask for more counsel and help.

All went out each day into the city and near villages to witness. This made friends for the school and, we trust, some new friends for our Lord. The women were very happy together and helpful to one another.

The younger women missionaries, as well as the members of the evangelistic committee, attend the school. The service has brought much joy to some of us. We feel that there is an ever increasing knowledge of and interest in the Word of God, larger sympathy for those working in other parts of the Mission, deeper desire to win souls to Jesus, larger vision of the worlds need and of the ability to supply that need.

HAZEL BENNETT

Prayer Cycle Nineteenth Day.

GURDASPUR HOME FOR WOMEN

With praise and thanksgiving we record the work of the past year.

Fifty-nine women and sixty-three children have been cared for in the Home. Three of the women were new converts from Mohammedanism, giving up all they held dear for the sake of Christ. An enquirer came to us several years ago. She was returned to her home because she was not of age to decide for herself when her relatives were not Christians. She first heard of Christ while a patient in the Good Samaritan Hospital at Jhelum. A short time ago she again visited the hospital and heard more about Christ and decided that she was going to follow Him. With-

out saying anything to anyone she quietly left her own home and came back to us here. She is now under instruction for baptism. A Hindu girl was rescued from being sold into a life of shame and sent here. She, too, is learning the way of life.

One of our famine orphan boys knew he had but a few days to live. He sent for us that he might make over to our keeping his young wife who was also an orphan, and his four little children.

Seven of our women made a public confession of their faith in Christ, and were received into full membership of the church. One woman and two children were baptized.

Every day at the noon hour we meet for a half hour's prayer in the Prayer Room. This room is open all the time. Some of the women have a real prayer life.

Our day school was in session for ten months of the year, and the women and girls have made good progress in their studies. The yearly examination, given by a member of the Board of Directors, showed good results. In the advanced Bible class the average grade in the book of Genesis was 93, and in memorizing the Shorter Catechism was 78. In the class composed of women who cannot read the average grade was 88 in Bible and 77 in memory work. Sewing, spinning, lace making, and weaving a broad tape used on beds, were also taught.

We want to thank the kind friends again who gave us the money to buy wheeled chairs. They are a great comfort to our lame women. One woman sits in hers all day long and is wheeled about here and there. She often speaks of being thankful for her chair.

We are also thankful for our motor bus. It has given us fine service. On Sabbath it takes our lame and blind women, and the little children to Church and Sabbath School. It is used, too, for bringing our supplies from market, and for trips here and there.

Christmas day all were made very happy by the kind friends who sent gifts and the money for a treat of dates, oranges and candy; also for a good dinner. For all this, too, we say thank you.

Twice the angel of death came to the Home, taking from us after only a few hours of sickness the pet of the whole household, little Gladness; and later in the year an aged grandmother. One girl was married, and several for various reasons left the Home.

The work is still carried on by the free-will offerings of God's children in India and America. Twice during the year there was not a penny in our bank with a family of almost one hundred to feed and clothe, but before there was any real need God supplied the money.

Thanking the many friends of the Home, who by their prayers and offerings have made the work among the women and children possible, and feeding upon the faithfulness of a promise-keeping God, we go forward with confidence into the work of a new year.

EMMA DEAN ANDERSON
MARGARET FEHLMAN

Prayer Cycle Twenty-First Day.

FIRST TERM WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

To a new missionary one of the outstanding events of the past year was the House-Party-Conference at Mangla, given by the women members of the Evangelistic Committee for the first term women missionaries.

It was held one week-end in the last of May—that time of year in India when the heat is very trying on the missionary's pep, appetite and disposition. The invitations issued to this conference were most mysterious as they bade us collect our tennis rackets, favorite recipes and prettiest frocks along with all the questions and problems that had been troubling us, and to meet on a certain day at a certain hour in a certain R. R. station. The hub-bub and excitement were at a high pitch, indeed, when all these forces came together, and we learned that the final destination was at the end of a forty-mile motor ride in a beautiful officers' rest house, situated on a hill high above the head works of the canal and the Jhelum River. Moonlight, silvery water, towering hills and a silent old fort made so charming a picture that it was not hard to realize why this very spot has been the scene of some of our mission romances.

Strange to say appetites revived, tired bodies and tense nerves relaxed, and a cooling breeze with a few rain drops made us forget that it had been hot back in our stations. The conference and recreation hours were thoughtfully planned so that the one formed an outlet for the other. One conference hour was spent in getting acquainted with each other's work. We had been asked beforehand to be prepared to tell ten of the most interesting and characteristic facts about our own individual work, any particular methods we had found successful, five things we would like changed, and five things we would like to accomplish our first term.

Another interesting feature of the conference was an old cracker tin converted into a question box from which issued questions new and old. Some were answered, others were discussed and laid aside for future reference. It was not altogether discouraging to learn that there were some questions that even wise and experienced Miss Sahibas could not answer. Sabbath day was a very precious day in which we again thought of a missionary's call, vision, task, and resources of strength.

Those were days of physical and spiritual refreshing for which we have often since been thankful—days when we came into a new appreciation of each other and realized anew how close are the ties that bind us in our common task. We younger missionaries are most thankful for the helpful interest and the sympathy of the more experienced missionaries, and sincerely hope for the future that such conferences may become the privilege of all new missionaries at least once in their first term.

RUTH ARDREY

Prayer Cycle Nineteenth Day.

THE YEAR IN EGYPT

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK
ALEXANDRIA

ALEXANDRIA has four Bible-women carrying the Word of God into the dark corners of this great, evil city. Sometimes one wonders how they can teach the same lesson eight times a day for five days straight and not lose their enthusiasm. But when people give their lives to Christ He is able to adapt them to the tasks that are theirs.

One of the encouraging events of this year has been the starting of the meeting in the home of some of our members in the Lebban district. The Bible-woman had been going to certain women in that part of the city for several years, and we felt that it was time to move on to others but did not want to drop our old pupils altogether; and they were too far away from a women's meeting to attend. So we asked our friends to open their homes to their neighbors on Monday mornings. Some twelve or thirteen ladies have set aside Monday mornings for attendance at this meeting, and give most interested attention to the Bible-woman as she reads to them from God's Word and discusses some phase of Christian living. They all learn the verse for the day, and some of them remember it until next Monday. One of the regular attendants says that her seven-year-old daughter who comes with her to the meetings has stopped using bad language and has become obedient to her mother as the result of her attendance at the meetings.

We are hampered in our work by the shortage of workers, and it makes one sad to realize that there are great sections of the city untouched, so far as we have any way of knowing, by Christian work or influence, and that we do not have any worker for women outside of Alexandria in all Beheira Province. We are planning to go out once a month, (or twice, if it seems best) this coming year, to Damanhour, Kafr el Dewar and Aboukir.

Another situation that is haunting me these days is the situation in Geneinat Ghurbal, a section of the city where the Bible-woman has been teaching most needy and most ignorant women the way to Christ, by patient, individual instruction for the past seven years, but where we have no meeting-house where we can gather them together for religious meetings.

ETHEL E. WEED

BIBLE WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL
TANTA

The year 1926 had no class to finish the prescribed course of study but there have been in training through the year twenty-four girls so that the future promises well. Seven girls of this number will finish the prescribed course of Bible Study in June of 1927 and will then enter into definite evangelistic work here and there wherever the opening is presented.

The members of the class of 1927 have been given some good training in what we are pleased to call "Practical Work." That is, they give several hours each day to the sort of

work in their house to house visiting which will be required of them when they go out to be regular Bible women. This they do under definite supervision having had the lessons

One of the seven girls who is to finish her training in the Bible Women's Training School, Tanta, Egypt

they give, taught to them in the Practical Work class and then one of the trained teachers goes in turn with them on their rounds of visits. This year the girls have been going two and two in regular apostolic fashion. When they meet difficulties or have difficult questions asked them they bring these to the attention of their teachers and are thus helped over the hard places and prepared to meet these difficulties in the future. We feel that they are getting a splendid training in definite and practical methods and will be well prepared to carry the Gospel message to their Egyptian sisters. I wish to note that we are giving special attention to the study of Islamics so that the girls will be prepared to answer the questions which they are constantly meeting from the Moslem point of view. One of our girls returned from her last summer's vacation telling how her brother who is a mechanic in the aeroplane workshops was much helped by one of his sister's books in the study of Islamics. "That is the very thing I want to help me answer all those questions which my fellow workmen who are nearly all Mohammedans are constantly asking me." I was delighted to send him the book his sister was studying. I also may say in this connection that the girls in learning how to answer these difficult questions that their Moslem pupils ask of them are also able to help their Christian pupils to answer the questions that they are constantly being asked by their Moslem neighbors.

The missionary ladies in charge of the Bible Women's Training School take turns in visiting with the different groups and in keeping tab on the efficiency of each girl. I have also taken the girls out with me to the villages and given them a taste of this type of work and an insight into the peculiar methods of evangelistic work for women in the simple primitive village life. In connection with the Fall Conference held in Bissiun the 1927 class did some fine work holding street meetings in different parts of the village. Arriving in the village on an early train we had two

hours to give to this sort of work and we had several meetings going on at the same time among the women who would not leave their own street to attend the tent meeting.

The girls in the Bible Women's Training School during the past year came from the following sections of Egypt:—Alexandria and district sent three; Tanta and district sent eight, three of these only being boarders as the other five lived in town and came as day pupils; Zagazig and district sent one; Mansoura and district sent two; Cairo sent five; Fayoum and district sent one; Minieh and district sent one; Assiut and district sent one; Luxor and district sent two. They number 24 in all.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL FOR BIBLE-WOMEN

While this school or Conference is not really a part of the Bible Women's Training School yet because it is held during the whole of the month of August in the Building of the Tanta Community House using the equipment of the Bible Women's Training School it is convenient to give the formal report in connection with that of the Bible Women's Training School.

A full account of this Summer School has already appeared in the Correspondence Department of the Magazine so it is not necessary to say much about it here except to say that we all are most enthusiastic over the beneficial results of this Summer School. I was touched last summer by the eagerness of the group of earnest Bible women as they sat around the study table drinking in the Bible lessons presented to them and I could easily visualize what it was going to mean to them during their year of work ahead.

We hope to make this Summer School a yearly affair, even if it does have to come off of the Summer Vacation of some of us who have to take the management in hand. It will just mean that some of us will have to arrange to take the needed vacation at some other time of the year, that is, early in the summer or later for we just must have this Summer School which is meaning so much to this set of workers among women here in Egypt.

COMMUNITY CENTER WORK, TANTA

We had hoped to be able to report some further development in this department of our evangelistic work here in Tanta but because of pressure of duties connected with the Bible Women's Training School, necessitated by the unavoidable delay of Miss Dwight in returning from furlough to take over the Bible Women's Training School, it has not been possible to do much new work which can properly be labeled under Community Center.

The usual meetings for women have been held every Thursday afternoon. These meetings, in additional to the regular prayer-meetings presented a pleasing variety of programs such as Temperance Programs, an Easter Program; a Christmas Program, A White Gift Program when the women brought in about thirty dollars worth of food and clothes to be given to the poor which was distributed by a committee of Egyptian women.

During the year the Women's Missionary Society which meets every month in the Community Center rooms gathered and distributed to various good causes carried on by the Synod of the Nile and other agencies more than $200.

One new department which we are pleased to report in the Community Center Department is a Sabbath School which meets every Sabbath afternoon. The children are gathered in from the homes where the Bible Women's Training School girls go for their Practical Work visits. This gives promise of being a very interesting and fruitful piece of work.

EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN IN TANTA AND DISTRICT

This department of work is carried on in Tanta and the surrounding district by myself assisted by three Bible Women. I hope to add more to the number of Bible women from time to time as workers are recruited and funds available for the doors of this district of one and one-half million souls are wide open for evangelistic work and there are many calls for workers from various villages.

Sitt Warda who has been working in the city of Tanta for twenty years finds a wide field but we have attempted to hold her to rather definite work for Moslems. May God bless richly the seed sown by this worker.

For some time we have been feeling the call to open up again definite work for women in Shebin-el-Kom. Our Prayer band in the Bible Women's Training School has been praying especially for this. The Bible Woman who had worked there for eighteen years died in October 1925 and there was no one to take her place; then in April 1926, I am sure, in answer to prayer, an acceptable worker turned up so I put her to work there and due to her energies and activities we have now a flourishing women's meeting. It is interesting to see the way many of the women are learning to take a part in the meeting. One of our best helpers and one who always takes part in this meeting is a fine young woman, a graduate of the Cairo Girls' College. She is hindered from taking up a definite work because of her parents. But she satisfies her desire to serve Christ by being faithful in helping in the Women's meetings, the Mother's meetings and in the Sabbath School. Another woman who is taking a great interest in the Women's meeting is a graduate of the Tanta Girls' Boarding School. Thus we see how our schools for girls send out their influences here and there.

I transferred Victoria and her widowed mother from Kafr Zeyat to Bissiun and they both have taken hold of their new work there with a right good will and are already much encouraged over the results. Already a meeting for women has been started in the house of the Bible woman. The village women are not backward in remarking about the cleanliness and tidiness of this little home and are favorably impressed, which, we have reason to believe, will bring results in some of their homes.

This meeting which is held weekly for the women has developed into a sort of a double-barreled affair. The first shot is a talk and discussion along the line of women's

sphere in the home and the second shot is a prayer-meeting and Bible study. The reason that we were brought to arranging it in this way is that the women come in for the whole afternoon and it is not always easy to keep them from gossiping so we have found this way a good one to give them food for thought. One day we had a talk on the Giant of Laziness and how this Giant draped his house with curtains of cob-webs. It tickled the fancy of the women and I could see that each woman was thinking of her own house in this connection.

THE FALL CONFERENCES

You will notice that in nearly every report from different parts of the field the Fall Conferences have been mentioned as having a big part in giving impetus in our Evangelistic Work for Women. I am sure that every Missionary Lady supported by the Women's Board and having had any part in these Conferences would like to tell at length the great worth of the appropriation which is given to help carry on these Fall Conferences. For the past two years we have been taking these Conferences to the out of the way places in our various districts where the people do not have the benefit of big meetings. This method has been commended all over the field and has done much to stir up interest in the far off places and has also done much in encouraging the workers in these isolated fields.

MINNEHAHA FINNEY

MARY CLOKEY PORTER GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

I have the privilege and the joy this year of writing you my report from the splendid new building, now completed and in use. What a comfort it is to have plenty of room! And how it helps in the conduct of the school to have a building arranged to meet its various needs! The large play ground adds its share in making the physical equipment of the school strictly first class in every way. The whole plant is as complete as one could wish. One hears nothing but words of praise from one and all who see it. And we who live and work in it, rejoice daily in God's great goodness in thus so abundantly providing for this part of His work and thank Him from hearts full of gratitude for His gracious favor.

Toward the first of 1926, it became apparent that the building could be completed sufficiently to use it for the day school before the end of the current school year. It seemed a good thing to accustom the pupils to go to it before the close of the year. So plans were made to go into it after Easter vacation at the first of May. Mother nature gave us a hard test in our opening days in the new building by a week of as trying weather as one ever experiences in Egypt. It fairly wilted teachers and girls alike. The weather during all of May and June was hot, but not so bad as those first days.

The work of completing the building went forward during the summer vacation. Our formal opening and dedication of the building was planned for September 10th. We

tried to get things finished by that date. It required constant urging and supervising to get the work done, but on the day of our opening, things were pretty well finished. I have already given an account of that happy day which appeared in the January 1927 Women's Missionary Magazine.

Immediately following the opening, came the opening of the new year of school and for the next two months the days were crowded full in starting off the work in our new home. Much arranging and re-arranging and adjusting were required in order to fit the work into our new and enlarged environment. The boarding department was opened again and this time with two classes in it—the desire being to provide accommodations for girls of any financial ability. We have been much pleased with the enrollment in the boarding department. There are eighteen first class and sixteen second class. Of this number, sixteen are Moslems. The girls come from a wide range of territory and from varied walks of life and are a very nice lot of girls.

Our day school has not reached the enrollment that we hoped for it, but we realize that our change in location was bound to effect it. We lost many of our former pupils and have gained many others. Among these are children from the best homes in the city. It has pleased me greatly that the heads of the big government schools have sent their children to us.

We were much pleased to have the Governor of the Province who is also mayor of the city, make a special visit to the school at his own request. After being shown over the building and grounds, he expressed himself as being much pleased with all that he saw.

We wish to make public record of the most generous interest the Women's Board have shown in providing new equipment for the school. They sent out to us American Seating Company desks and chairs for all the class rooms; a table and folding chairs for the chapel; a desk and chairs for the office; kindergarten supplies; dishes for first and second class; a hotel range for the kitchen and a heater for the dining room. Unfortunately for us, the ship which was bringing the furniture went aground and about half of the shipment was lost, but everything was fully insured. Duplicates of all lost articles are being sent out.

In addition to this equipment, we have received a fine supply of rag rugs sent out by different missionary societies all over the church. These have added greatly to the attractiveness of our bed rooms. Mrs. J. C. Hare of Pittsburgh sent us a beautiful drop-leaf table. For all of these things we wish to express our sincere gratitude. We feel that we have been greatly favored of God in all of the good He has shown us in providing us with such a place and such equipment with which to serve Him and our daily prayer is that He may use us and it to His glory.

CAROL E. MCMILLAN

The Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School moved into its fine new building the first of May 1926. Much has already been written about this splendid new plant which has been made possible by the consecrated gifts from the homeland. It

is a great privilege to be permitted to assist in the work here and I'm sure we have every day, grateful hearts to those who have made this plant possible.

My especial work this school year, along with continued Arabic study is the supervision of the day school and some English teaching in our highest class, the Sixth year.

We had a successful Christmas entertainment December 29th just before closing for the winter vacation. A large number of the relatives of the children came and they seemed greatly pleased by the program. One of the splendid features of our new building is the auditorium, which makes it possible to have such gatherings. The girls contributed $23.75 as a White Gift Offering. The different classes distributed the money among poor families which they wished to help.

Once a month our girls conduct a C. E. service in English, at chapel time. I wish you could have been present at our last meeting led by one of our older Moslem girls. Her remarks on the topic, the greatest promise in the Bible, were splendid. Her Bible training during the years she has been in school has surely made a deep impression on her life.

SARAH B. MELOY

GIRLS SCHOOL, BENHA

In the Girls' School last spring two of our teachers left before the close of the year to get married and a third one went to help out in another school where teachers had left. Then as we were unable to secure more teachers it meant that we each one had to share the burden of teaching and so the other work had to suffer.

This year we are very happy to report that our teaching force is complete and that the work is moving along very quietly but is most encouraging. Our attendance this year is again low but from reports which we hear on all sides we are encouraged to believe that there are brighter days ahead of us.

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK

Kafr Gazzar has been reopened this year after several years of rest due to a lack of workers. It is a joy to visit this Village for the women seem to be anxious to hear and in each home we visit we find a goodly number of women waiting for us so that we can have a real Prayer meeting wherever we go. In one home there is usually a crowd of eighteen or twenty women and large girls. As none of these women can read and as there is no church in this Village this is their only chance to hear the Gospel Message.

In Quesna the work was interrupted for several months but has been started again. The Bible Woman was interested in again visiting a young woman who, a year ago, had asked to be taught to read. This Bible woman had given her two or three lessons and then had to leave her. Last week she again went to visit her and found that she had continued her lessons and was reading very well now. She was reading in Genesis. The Bible Woman suggested that since she was just learning to read that perhaps she had better read from the Gospel of John as that would be easier. But she replied

that she was anxious to read the story of the beginning of everything and so she insisted on continuing in Genesis.

In Toukh one of the women surprised me last week by telling all of the Bible stories I have given them since September. As she told of the Wisdom of Solomon one of the women said, "Why, God did answer his prayers, didn't He?" And this woman said, "Yes, and God answers prayers today, too." This other woman asked her how He did it and she proceeded to tell her an instance of answered prayer that I had told them at our Thank-Offering meeting a year ago in February.

The work amongst the street children is continuing as usual. A new class has been opened in Mancheya and there is an average weekly attendance of about fifty children there.

In Kafr Manakir the children have shown such a deep interest this year and have remembered the stories so well that I have promised to give them an examination in a few weeks after we have reviewed them all again and will then give out prizes to the children who can tell all of the stories.

The three Missionary Societies have shown a great deal of life this year and we are expecting a splendid Thank-Offering from them all in a few weeks.

JEANNETTE L. MCCRORY

GIRLS' SCHOOL, MANSOURA

"Egypt Shall Know The Lord"

The last year has been full of both temporal and spiritual blessings in the Mansoura School. We have more Moslem girls on our roll than in previous years, and all take their daily Bible lesson without a murmur, and the majority of them are faithful in their attendance on Sabbath School.

During the summer, one of our capable girls "kept the home fires burning," by holding three meetings a week for our girls and visiting in their homes. One morning was used in helping those who were behind in their lessons; two afternoons were spent in the weekly prayer meeting and in games, songs and sewing. In this way she kept in touch with the girls during the eight weeks of vacation.

We have a Sabbath School in a near by village which is being cared for by the girls' missionary offering every month. One of the teachers goes out every Sabbath afternoon and teaches a class of forty or forty-five. One of our village girls, who comes from a strong Moslem home became quite interested in this work and went with the teacher each week. She had been a haughty, proud girl. This seemed to change her as she helped gather in those dirty little children and helped to keep order. Always at prayers on Sabbath, she would ask that we remember the street class.

At the close of our month of prayer, a little Moslem girl was asked, what she had learned from it all. She took the opportunity to tell what she had learned since coming to our school. She said: "I am thankful I have learned how to pray my own thoughts and to pray for others. I can pray when I want to and where." When she was asked if the Moslem women pray she replied: "A little, but it is too hard for them to get

down on their knees, then up again, and turn this way and that. I wish they knew how we pray here." She was asked to lead in prayers that evening and this is part of her child-like prayer: "O Lord, we pray that the Birthday of Thy Son (it being near Christmas) may be a good day for the Copts, Jews, Protestants and Moslems and they may learn more of Thy love for them. We pray that the time may come when the Moslem schools will have a program on the Birthday of Thy Son."

Friends, PRAY for such girls as these. PRAY for us that we may be guided and led by the Holy Spirit as we teach these girls. Is it not through such incidents as these that, "The Lord shall be known in Egypt and the Egyptians shall know the Lord?"

FRANCES PATTON

EVANGELISTIC WORK, MONSOURA

Last summer's Association meetings gave me the assignment of the District Evangelistic work. Some of these towns have organized missionary monthly meetings, and weekly women's meetings. I visited one of these towns recently, in which a splendid new church is being built. After I arrived, I found they had planned a meeting. There were about thirty women present, and when I looked over the fine group of women, how glad I was to be the privileged one to work with them. Our two Bible women and I will be responsible for their monthly missionary meeting.

One very interesting item of the work this year, has been the opening of the Community House. The middle of October we opened with an "at home" day with 40 women present. Once a month we have a women's meeting, which has started off well, many Moslems as well as Copts, coming. I engaged a teacher for part time to take care of the Arabic classes in reading and writing for those women and big girls who wanted to learn, and to help also with the sewing. We have gotten in touch with many girls, and consequently their mothers who now attend the women's meetings. They have classes in simple home management and first aids. They are being taught too, to take interest in the reading of good books, and once a week the teacher gives them an hour of reading from some helpful book for girls, explains it, and asks them to write what they have learned from this lesson, bringing it in the following day. The book we are now using is, "The Girl and Her Religion," written in Arabic. Also for reading, they have the little "Star of the East" published by the Mission for the young folks of the church. They also have the regular Sabbath School lessons once a week. Shortly after the Community House was opened up, a Girls' Club was started, called the Dorcas Club, having for our aim, a meeting which they themselves would more or less conduct as soon as possible, and also sewing and doing for others.

As for the spiritual training of the girls and women, we try to make everything tend to that end. Our regular Bible lessons, Bible memory work, and the singing periods all help. The girls range in age from 14 to 20 and this is the age I especially like to work with. Sometimes, it is a

chat with a girl about coarse talking, or lack of ordinary courtesy, or cleanliness, or respect for mother, things which I had formerly thought more or less belonged in the realm of the school teacher.

This work in Egypt is quite new, and cannot be carried on as a Community House at home, because of the wide difference between peoples. But it does give a chance to help the young woman who is at home trying to pass her days waiting to be married. Many of these girls have been for a short time in some Coptic school, and are members of the Coptic church, and don't know what real Christian living is.

Some of the mothers have come in also to have help in their sewing for the little ones, and later on we hope to have special classes in child care, sanitation, etc. especially for them.

Altogether, the year has been, I feel, one in which His work has gone forward. The Bible women have been very faithful and much credit is due them for their faithfulness in telling the girls about the Community House, and looking up absentees at times outside of their daily visiting.

L. L. McCLELLAND

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK CAIRO

Mrs. Harvey is still an invalid, but I was remarkably well until recently when I was somewhat set aside by lumbago.

In many ways it is much as it was last year, except that in one place owing to the presence of a pastor I am not needed, and go to it once in two weeks to visit with the Bible woman there. Miss Margaret Smith and her Bible woman go to visit a good many Mohammedans there.

The little school in Aboul Ela still goes on pretty well, helped by friends either in America or Egypt, and the Sabbath School has been quite a success, the year's average being 85, of whom 33 were Moslems. The rent of the little building, seven dollars and a half per month, is paid on the account of the Bible work by the Women's Board at home.

Mrs. Coventry has been taking the Bible women of two districts for a special lesson and prayer every week. All the eighteen meet *here* once a month, when they receive their salaries, give in their reports, and get an address by the Rev. Ghabreal, and pray together for the work.

The total number of pupils enrolled was 2563, of whom 646 are reckoned as being able to read the Bible. 671 of the whole number were Moslems. The workers attend all the women's meetings in their various districts, collect missionary society subscriptions and Thank-Offerings, and visit new-comers.

It is interesting to know that in our Evangelical Church there are now more women communicants than men.

ANNA Y. THOMPSON

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK, CAIRO

Last May we gave up our house in Haret es Sakkain and Rifca, my helper, and I moved to Boulakia and became a part of Mrs. Coventry's large happy family of new missionaries, but continued our work in Haret es Sakkaeen and the southern part of the city of Cairo. We go by

street car every morning reaching home at noon or half past twelve.

I have now two Bible workers, Rifca and Malena, both of whom were with me in the orphanage. Rifca goes with me to read a chapter which we have studied together before going out. She guides my steps as we cross streets as I do not see very well and helps me in many ways. On Mondays we visit the southern part of the city and visit the Bedouin Arabs at Fum el Khalig every two weeks. We read and pray wherever we go, unless when, occasionally some one refuses to hear.

Rifca takes me to the school on Tuesday morning where I join Miss Malena, the other Bible worker and I visit with her until noon. I have met with many old friends among her listeners and have many sweet experiences. This work of visiting the women and giving them God's Word is a blessed experience and we hope for great blessings from it. One poor old woman whom we had known and taught in her childhood wept for joy and recalled many things of long ago.

We visit the sick and sorrowing and are sometimes called upon to make peace where there has been strife and hatred for years.

I have a very interesting Sabbath School class of young women and older ones. Pray that they may be filled with the spirit of Christ and may be used of Him. Our Ladies Missionary Society is small but is doing work for the Master.

MARGARET A. SMITH

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK, CAIRO

In the sections of the City where I have been working this last year I am glad to report that the Lord has been blessing the work of those who are sowing the seed. There have been those who have taken the Lord as their personal God and there are still many more to whom the message has not come with saving power.

I have been much interested in the work with the Bible women. Six of them meet with me every week on Monday morning for a time of Bible Study and of prayer. They seem to be really glad for this time together, especially for the prayer time. I feel that it has meant much to me to have this time apart from their work with them and will you not remember this little gathering in your prayers that in these hours of study and of prayer we may come into very close touch with the Master.

Last fall we needed two Bible women for vacant places and we needed the support as well. We prayed for them and after a few months one was found and began her work, but after two months of service she told us that she was becoming engaged and that she could not work longer as she must prepare for her marriage. The money for her salary is being provided by an Egyptian woman and we long for another woman who is filled with the Spirit to come to this field and take up the work.

I might write a small volume about the bit of work assigned to me in the Home for the new Missionaries but am sure that you will not forget to pray that this home may be a place where we may all learn more and more of the Father's love to us and

that in the days and months of preparation that most of the members of our family have here, that these months may be full of preparation of heart as well as of study.

MARY K. COVENTRY

KULALI SCHOOL, CAIRO

This has indeed been a year of duties and privileges in my little corner of service; the Kulali Girls' School of Cairo. This is a day school of elementary grade. At present we have 238 pupils and 10 teachers.

The school and church are situated in the same yard. It has given me much happiness to have our minister so helpful and so interested in our girls. Last week in a joint meeting with the Women's Missionary Society the girls took entire charge of the program. Our little leader, twelve years of age read and explained the scripture lesson. Other girls gave interesting little talks, led in prayer, repeated Bible verses or sang.

At least one day a week I accompany the Bible woman in her visits to the children's homes. We must always have a cup of tea, Turkish coffee or cinnamon tea. It rejoices my heart to see how neatly the girls prepare the tray and serve us; that is if we happen to be calling after school hours. In one house, Sabbath School cards were tacked all around the wall. It was a poor little home with no furniture except wooden boxes. So these cards made quite a bright spot.

One of my girls was married last week. She is only thirteen. When I told Tafeeda's mother how grieved I was, she only laughed at me and explained that she herself was twelve years of age and so Tafeeda was quite old enough. Tafeeda sent for her Bible and Psalter.

RUTH M. WILLIAMSON

STUDY CENTER CAIRO

Since my last report to you, twelve months have slipped away. All that has been accomplished during that time, it is of course difficult to ascertain. In November, we completed our first year of Arabic study, during which time we had concentrated on the Colloquial or the spoken Arabic of the masses. Since then, we have been initiated into the mysteries of the Classical Arabic, all of which have not as yet cleared up for us. However, we are happy to come to the point where we can read and understand the chapters in the Gospels for which we are responsible this term.

Since September I have been associated with the Haret es Sakkain School in a district of Cairo of the same name. One does have more or less opportunity to use her Colloquial Arabic as she meets with mothers who plead that they can't pay the required tuition, or as she is brought face to face with conditions in the homes of these mothers and children.

Of course we do reach some of these with the Gospel message on Sabbath as we gather them in from the street into our class especially for them.

The Haret es Sakkain School itself is not large, but it is an evangelizing agency in a section of the city far from any of our other schools and churches, and we feel that Christ will bless any effort exerted in His name.

The Christmas program of the

school was held in the church and how great was our joy to have a large crowd of women present, very many of whom were Mohammedans.

This school observed the White Gift Christmas as did various others in the city. If you had seen the little packages of rice, lentils, and macaroni as they were brought in by the children, you too might have thought of the old verse:

"Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make a mighty ocean
And a pleasant land."

ALTA G. FRENCH

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO

It is hard to realize that I have been fifteen months in Egypt, time has passed so quickly. They have been busy happy months. The more I come to know these people and the more I come to understand the meaning of the sights and the sounds I see and hear the more I realize their great need for the Savior.

Those of us who came out fifteen months ago have passed two mile stones in our language study and are fast approaching a third one which, as we look ahead, appears to be almost a blank wall.

Last summer I spent at Sidi Bishr and surely enjoyed this place as a summer camp. The first two weeks were spent attending the summer meeting of Association in the mornings. Every afternoon there was tennis or swimming and in the evenings visiting and reading. After Association was over I took Arabic lessons, five a week. Some of our teachers from the Study Center were spending their summer in a village nearby and they came to camp each day to give us lessons. I did not study so hard as during the school year but it kept me from forgetting what I had learned and I felt that it was well worth while.

When Miss Margaret Work left Cairo the last of November to take up her work in Beni Suef I was given her work here in the Krunfish church and school. Each Sabbath I teach a class of girls in the Sabbath School there and each Monday afternoon I visit the school.

MARIE F. TAIT

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO

On the morning of September 7th in company with other missionaries I went on board the S. S. City of Harvard. This feat was performed with the kind assistance of Mr. McClellan, who secured last moment letters, tickets, steamer chairs, and even went so far as to give advice concerning seasickness. The India party sailed with the Egyptian party so we had a big missionary family.

Upon my arrival in Egypt I was invited to spend my first month in Mansura. It is customary to have the new missionaries spend the first month outside of Cairo.

I was greatly interested in the schools in and around Mansura. The schools are doing a wonderful piece of work. They surely are training the boys and girls for Christian citizenship and leadership as well.

The work of the Bible women in the villages is certainly a very important thing. How eager the women in the villages were as we went from house to house with the Gospel message. I hope no society at home

will dare to discontinue the help it has been giving to this work. Just last Sabbath I went in company with the Bible women and Miss White of Zagazig to a Street Sabbath School. It was an interesting sight to me. The women and children had gathered from the village all eager for a story. They sat contented on the curb huddled together and were all ears and eyes. They seemed afraid that they would miss something. Some had even washed their hands and faces for the occasion.

I am in language school now. The Mission is surely doing its part in helping us to get the language. There are students here from all over the world. There are some ten different nationalities studying in the school. I carry sixteen hours of class work and three hours of lecture work. We have lectures on Islam, Life of Mohammed, History of the Caliphate, and Dervishism. The language is hard but tremendously interesting. I shall always have a grudge at the camel though for I know that he introduced some of these excruciating, choking sounds. I keep on talking Arabic whether I am understood or not. I hope in time that my tongue may become athletic enough to really speak it.

If I had all my choosing to do over again I should choose to come to Egypt for this work. I like the country and have already found some good friends among the people of the land.

LOIS KINGAN

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO

This year has been a busy one. After finishing our Study Center work in June, we spent July and August at the Mission summer camp at Sidi Bishr and enjoyed it very much there. In September we returned to our work at the Study Center and Arabic has taken most of our time since.

Each Sabbath I go to Adawiya, an evangelistic center in Cairo and teach a class of little girls. It is most interesting and though it seems but a small thing to do, it is a joy to be able to do something in the way of missionary work. The children are very dear and seem eager to learn. They are always ready to help out with the necessary word if I hesitate in my Arabic. We are hoping to have in them future workers in the Church here in Egypt.

I have been assigned to do Bible work in the Fayoum, this assignment to go into effect next November. How glad I shall be to be in the actual work and yet how we need to pray that in this time of preparation the Lord will truly fit us for the work and teach us to rely upon Him for the wisdom and strength we need for each day's task.

RACHEL TRACY SEIVER

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO

There are a few lines of poetry that have often recurred to my mind of late:

> To every man there openeth
> A High Way, and a low;
> And every man decideth,
> Which way His soul shall go.

Every day of our lives in many small ways does the momentous decision between the High Way and the Low Way have to be made, as we meet the temptations and difficulties that seem increasingly to beset our

pathway even on the mission field. Our lives, our characters, are in a very real sense just what we make them. When we reach the point in our lives when we will be too old to change, may it find us to have so consistently chosen the High Way that others will see that Christ has indeed been formed in us.

The High Way often seems higher, nobler, grander to us who are here when seen against a background of degradation unknown in our Christian lands. How our hearts do rejoice to see here and there one who has taken the step out of the darkness of a heathen religion into the pure, holy atmosphere of Christianity. It has been my privilege to come in contact with a few such this year. While still in the study center the touches with the real work have of necessity had to be few. But even there our souls have been spiritually refreshed and inspired by seeing the gospel working and kindling the fires of aspiration in the hearts of some of our teachers. One in particular has definitely professed his faith in Christ as the divine Son of God, though He has not yet openly broken with Mohammedanism. He needs our prayers that he may fully follow on to know the Lord.

As I look back over the past year, my first year in Egypt, one week stands out as being perhaps the happiest and most satisfying of all. I refer to the week spent at the Bible Women's conference in Tanta last August, teaching music to the women gathered there. These women are examples of what Egyptian womanhood can become. Some of them have chosen the High Way of true Christian endeavor at great cost and sacrifice to themselves, and are what they are to-day in spite of heredity and environment. God has worked in their hearts to will and to do of His good pleasure. It was interesting to watch their reactions as their minds and hearts were opened to new vistas of possibility for their lives and work in the kingdom. To have a part, however small, in passing on to others whatever we have personally experienced of the riches of Christ, is the happiest lot that can befall us, for it means treading the High Way of service in companionship with the One who still works in and through those who follow Him.

GUDRUN CHR. ESTVAD

GIRLS' SCHOOL, BENI-SUEF

An annual report? Yes gladly! But how can one put into few lines the experiences of the year and especially of this year?

Come with me down stairs to the school. It seems impossible that I saw it myself for the first time only four months ago. One hundred fifty little girls in blue gingham dresses. Ah, not quite. Nineteen of them are boys who do not wear the uniform, but who just as energetically keep time to the morning march and sing the Psalm, who just as eagerly listen to the Bible story and as reverently bow in prayer.

Oh, you girls who are intending to become missionaries, get all the experience you can in some American school, in an office, in a kitchen, in every possible line of work. You will be glad for it all. Then when you get here to Egypt just quietly forget all about it. Become a child

again, not just for a night or for a week. That would be easy. But one must be a child for a whole year, for two years, for three years, and I do not know how much longer, learning things all over again, in new ways. And meantime you will be thankful for countless experiences you have had. Then suddenly one day you will realize that though you are still a child here, yet you are grown, too, and that this is your *work*, and it taxes all your powers, and His.

This morning in chapel I watched the faces of our two newest Moslem girls. I wish you could have seen them. If you ever doubted the value of Christian Missions—well, I don't see how you could after seeing those two faces. It was the beginning of the Crucifixion story. I don't think they had ever heard it before.

The next period every child in the two lower classes gave a Bible verse from memory, whichever he chose from those they have learned. You would love to hear them tell the Bible stories too. "A little child shall lead them."

We have fourteen Moslem pupils now, the most there have ever been in the school at one time. Pray that they may led to love Him with their whole hearts. Pray that we may have a school home, our own, where we can grow to greater usefulness. You see how very crowded we are here. These cold, damp class rooms are in two rented buildings. We have tried to emphasize always the spiritual values. This year there are graduates of our four-year school in schools in Luxor, Assiut, Cairo, and Tanta. Many more have not gone on to school. Let us remember them in our prayers, that they may not forget the lessons they have learned.

MARGARET A. WORK

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK, FAYOUM

It has been a great year. We still have three Bible women to do the evangelistic work among the women and girls of this vast district. They are a splendid three and I count it a real privilege to supervise them and to learn from them. We meet together for a half hour in the mornings for Bible Study and prayer, praying that God will convict their pupils of their sins, and lead them to a knowledge of Jesus as their personal Saviour, and that He will enable each one to witness for Christ as she has opportunity. A few weeks ago I was much pleased to hear a Moslem woman preach Christ to her friends. She has two little girls whom she is trying hard to support—her husband has divorced her. When we went to a village we found that she had gone there to visit. She sent for us to come to tell the good news to her friends and to the two wives of the man who divorced her. We found the room filled to overflowing with those whom she had gathered into hear and so we met in the street where the air was better. She kept the children quiet and explained what we said, in case she thought they did not get the point. She never misses the monthly meeting which we have here for the pupils of the Bible women. There are many like her telling the story of the week to relatives and friends.

The four of us have been going to some of the villages of the district which we can reach by train. Two

of us always go together in village work. In every place we find a great hungering and longing to hear the Truth. The doors are wide open and we pray for strength, and courage, and wisdom to enter in. Both Copts and Moslems are eager to hear more.

Some of the women of the church are awakening to the great need all about them and we praise Him that they are being led to see their responsibility to their own lost sisters. They have been going out on Sabbath mornings after church by twos and they feel already that great joy has come into their lives. All the volunteers meet after church for prayer and to organize our groups. Last Sabbath two of us went to a section of town and held a meeting in the home of a very poor ignorant Christian woman. She brought in fifteen Moslem neighbor women and some children to hear. What a joy it was to see her go and gather them in! She was using her talent. She needs teaching almost as badly as her neighbors do, but she showed an eagerness to have them hear too. From these various groups of women, one group may go to a mourning, another to visit a sick woman, another to settle a quarrel, or rebuke a backslider, or to urge a woman to forget her peevishness, and the others to various sections of town where we teach in the homes or in the street. We teach them a song, or a verse in connection with the story.

My time has been pretty well taken up with meetings, with visitings, with trips to villages, with trying to get acquainted with the parents of our school girls, with trying to understand how an Oriental's mind functions, and with study, but I've had time to go on picnics, and on auto trips to Beni Suef to the edge of the desert where the University of Michigan is excavating and to the lake, to entertain guests, to play tennis and volley ball and to laugh at amusing incidents. My latest Arabic blunder occurred yesterday when in attempting to quote Matthew 5:11, I said, "Blessed are ye when they 'make eyes' at you."

LAURA B. WRIGHT

GIRLS' SCHOOL, FAYOUM

Arriving here last October, I found the school open and running nicely. Miss Laura Wright was directing the school, meeting patrons, collecting tuitions and teaching two periods daily, besides supervising the Evangelistic work for women.

The school is not large. Our commodious new building is out at the edge of the city, and some of our former patrons thought this was too far for girls to come to school. They are, however, gradually getting used to the idea. As yet, we have only one hundred and fifty girls. At the small school over in the rooms adjoining the church in the heart of the city, we have about forty more. These are all in Beginners' classes, and will come out here to the new building when they are a little older. Our beginners' classes here are full.

No school in this part of Egypt is so comfortably housed. And it has a playground! Children in Egypt, as a rule, do not play. But the girls in this school are learning to play. They have very little idea of sportsmanship, but we are teaching them games to develop this very desirable qual-

ity. Miss Wright takes the lead in games for teachers and for girls.

Our girls have a thriving Junior Missionary Society. Their monthly offering is about five dollars. They gave a White Gift Christmas program, at which the offering amounted to thirty dollars. Recently we started Junior Christian Endeavor meetings. The older girls form two groups which meet weekly for half hour prayer meetings. They seem to enjoy these meetings very much.

Our Sabbath School, which meets in the school Sabbath afternoons, is a great opportunity. We encourage our school girls to bring other girls with them.

Perhaps the most important, certainly the most *difficult* task of the missionary in charge of a school, is in dealing with teachers. Some of them are splendid girls and are easily led. Others need much help. The teachers and I meet for prayer in the school office at 7:45 a. m. School begins at 8 a. m. So our prayer period is a great help. Attendance is voluntary.

You would find it a joy to meet our teachers. Two of them you would be specially glad to meet. The first is Miss Hickmet Samuel. Her parents are well-to-do members of our church. She is a graduate of Pressley Memorial Institute in Assiut. She spends two forenoons a week teaching our special piano pupils, the income from which helps the school, for she will accept no salary. Another dear girl, a graduate of this school, taught all forenoon every day till January of this year. Then her mother's health required her presence at home. But she still comes when any extra help is needed, and often goes out with the Bible Women for evangelistic work. Her name is Belsam Saleh. Her work is done heartily as unto the Lord, and she takes no compensation from the school. There are twelve teachers here including the two over at the church.

It has been my great privilege to have a small share in street preaching here. A group of women in our church volunteered to go out to preach to non-church goers on Sabbath mornings after church. We are usually out by about half past ten. We go two and two. We talk to women in their homes or in the street, or wherever we find them. They like to hear Bible stories; they want to know anything that will help them raise their children right. They are thirsty for God. They beg us again and again to come and teach them. It is a great joy to carry news of salvation, but the Master who sends us alone can give them hearts to receive it. Pray that they will let Him do it for them.

MARGARET A. BELL

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK, ASSIUT

In the Bible women's work in the town here there is over-lapping, while streets upon streets remain untouched. My efforts to change things are insufficient and unsuccessful. Our workers are good and faithful, and I would not minimize their usefulness, but they share the faults of their superintendent, and if they fail of being as aggressive a force as they should be, I say the blame is mine.

Two blind girls have begun work

this year with very small financial aid, and are superintended respectively by the Pastor's daughter, Miss Tafida Maowwad, and a member of the Girls' Club of the Church, Miss Aziza Ghoubri, who teach them each week the lesson to be given in the homes. Another blind worker has been launched in a rather out-of-the-way village, the Pastor boarding her in his own family.

In Assiut we are limited in our choice of workers to those whose homes are in the city itself, as there are no rooms in which I could house anyone of the newer type of trained Bible women. Of that type we have here only one, Miss Julia Hanna, and her housing arrangements are a problem. Mrs. Hickman is kindly lending her a room at present which keeps her very happy, but she may eventually have to find work elsewhere. Mrs. A. A. Thompson for part of the year gave to the work an extra worker, taking her into her own home, arranging her work for her, and working often with her. She was a Syrian, less bound by custom than the women of the land, and without fear. She could push her way into Mohammedan houses with skill and acceptance, and did a wonderful work in the Hammara district and in villages across the river. But she has left.

I spoke last year of the village visiting done through the readiness of missionaries who have Fords to use them for women's work as well as for men's. These opportunities continue and they open the door for such work to women in the mission circle most capable of service to whom this special type of usefulness might otherwise be impossible.

Of five conferences for men and women held in the autumn at various towns and villages in Assiut Presbytery, only two fell due after my return, and I enjoyed greatly the share of the work that fell to me.

Our Women's Missionary Society, rejuvenated in 1925, continues its monthly meetings, and Mrs. Hoyman has interesting things to tell of its Service Committee.

The Thank-Offering Meeting was again a joy. Each year we think that last meeting was exceptional and that this time there is going to be a drop. I felt faithlessly sure of this last March, and then a funny thing happened. We never get the full amount of the offering on the day itself. A number of large contributions drift in later. This time, to our amazement, the amount announced at the meeting was a sum considerably larger than the final total for any previous year. The meeting disbanded in such overflowing enthusiasm that one could hardly hear one's own voice. And then came anti-climax. The count had been wrong. We count in pounds, and the figure announced had been 240. It was merely a two in place of a one, but how misleading a blunder! We were greatly discomfited. The mistake, however, proved a prophecy. When the time came of allocating the funds the original figure stood correct, $1200! The gifts of absentees had exactly cancelled the discrepancy, and our Committee meeting became a service of praise.

RENA L. HOGG

THE KHAYATT GIRLS' SCHOOL, ASSIUT

The Khayatt Girls' School is one of the oldest institutions connected with our Mission. It is unique in one respect. For about thirty years it has been entirely supported by the Khayatt family. The Khayatts are strong members of our native Evangelical Church, and liberal supporters of every good work connected with the Church. Though they have paid all the bills connected with the school, they have left the entire supervision to the Mission. For almost twenty-five years Miss Rena Hogg has had charge of the school. It is this very fact of joint Egyptian and American ownership and management that makes the school especially dear to us. It is a great joy to share together in a common work with a common purpose and goal.

The school is an excellent one in spite of rather inadequate buildings and equipment. The Khayatts hope to build before long, and we look forward to larger opportunities of service through the school.

There are two hundred and thirty girls enrolled and twelve teachers, all of whom are Egyptian. I often wish that you could get to know our Egyptian teachers. To me their friendship is the greatest pleasure, work in Egypt can give. They are usually most faithful, and eager to give service without any thought of self.

Last year the school gave nearly $150.00 to the Thank-Offering, a very large sum indeed for poor girls. They gave liberally to the monthly missionary society, too.

DAVIDA FINNEY

PRESSLEY MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, ASSIUT

My report for the year 1926-1927 must begin with a great big THANK YOU, with thanks to dear friends for their faith and for their prayers, and above all to the Heavenly Father for answering prayer.

October was nearly half gone when I got back to Egypt so this brief record covers but four months. Here, too, thanksgiving is my theme.

I am thankful for the freedom from administrative duties that has made possible a rapid return to normal health. And I am inexpressibly grateful for the service made possible by this freedom. In our division of work at the Pressley Memorial Institute all sorts of interesting subjects and classes have fallen to my lot to supervise. The contact that this work gives with pupils and teachers, as well as the many informal opportunities one has in the midst of such a large group of girls and young women, makes one pray with increasing desire that Christ may dwell in us richly.

RUTH WORK

WORK AMONG WOMEN, LUXOR DISTRICT

In thinking over the past year, it is with gratitude to our Father that we mention some encouragements: one is the eagerness of the poorer Moslem women to hear the Word. A few of the better class listen, but one is reminded that "the common people heard Him gladly," and other encouragement is, one of our girls in training here was willing to go and is in training in the Bible Women's School at Tanta.

Sitt Luza, our blind Bible teacher was brought in from the district again, in order to take advantage of

AMERICAN MISSION, LUXOR
Sitt Luza teaching a blind Moslem on the Verandah of the Women's Board Residence.

the class in Braille. She lived in the room on our roof and attended the class in the Girls' School, next door. While here, she began teaching a young Moslem to read the Braille type. He had been attending evening meetings held by our converted Moslem. One of our Protestant girls, who is a pupil in the class for the blind is continuing Gad's lessons at her home in town.

One of our strongest Bible women, the widow of an evangelist, was providentially led to take up work in a town south of us. Her son, a Government clerk was transferred there. This place has been without an evangelist and we know that "Mother of Maksud" has been a power for good in that community.

Four conferences were held in this district as planned by the Evangelistic Board, in places where conferences had not been held. The attendance of the women at all of these was most encouraging. We noted especially the difference in the places where our church has girls' schools and the two where there are no Christian schools.

Our Sabbath School Class for Street Children has been most encouraging. Seven Moslem girls attend. The hearts of these girls were made glad by gifts of dolls which Mrs. Pollock had received from the Eleventh Church, N. S. Pittsburgh. Several of the larger girls come to our home for lessons. It started when we saw one of these little Moslem girls out in front of our house picking up the refuse in the streets for fuel. We invited her in and it

Sabbath School class of street children in Luxor who received dolls as rewards for faithful attendance and committing scripture. Mrs. Pollock in the back, little Jean to the left. Dolls were sent to Mrs. Pollock by the 12th church, N. S., Pittsburgh. The girl holding the book up attends the Italian Catholic school.

occurred to us to give her a lesson; she came bringing others. Then three little girls, Copts, stopped coming to Sabbath School. They said, "Didn't Miss Walker know we too wish to go to school?" It is the plan to let come here for lessons only such as are good in attendance and know to recite their lessons at the Sabbath School. We have had some for training who

look forward to Evangelistic Work but these little people are far from knowing their future plans. Yet when one influences young lives like these, one may be sowing seed which will yield far larger results than can ever be imagined. Just recently, we were at a mourning to comfort the bereaved, when one of the Moslems asked if we knew a cure for cancer. Her sister has this awful disease. We went right with her and visited the home, thus finding entrance to a home never entered before. On the way, this Mohammedan woman told us she had been a pupil in the Girls' School many years ago. She inquired for Miss Buchanan.

LAURA B. WALKER

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, LUXOR

1926 was a year of quiet steady work, of growth and development on the part of the girls, and of faithful service from the teachers. Two girls graduated in May. One is living at home here in Luxor. Her family is wealthy, and she and her sister who graduated two years before are talking of going to our College in Cairo. I wish very much that they would start that fashion in the school. The other one is teaching here. In the examinations last May about 75% of our girls passed. We had the record for our schools last year. So many of the smaller girls know that they will never be allowed to finish school and the temptation to play, instead of study, is strong.

The school has been full. About 115 were in attendance at the primary school in the village, all or more than can be handled by the three Egyptian teachers there. We had over 200 in the central school, 65 of whom were boarders. The children from the primary school came here after about two years there.

All through the year the daily Bible lessons, chapel talks, and Christian Endeavor and missionary meetings have continued. The influence growing out of that side of our work is not easy to measure or report. As our girls come to the right age almost all of those free to unite with our Church do so. Others who are from bigoted Coptic families are usually just as real Christians in faith and life. Only two girls united with the Church in 1926. Seventeen of our older girls are members. There are several now in the upper classes who are not yet ready. The meetings for women and children in near by places have been kept up. Usually the girls go to six or seven places each week, and reach from 70 to 100.

It is 35 years ago this last fall since Mrs. Murch began a day school for girls in Luxor, and 25 years since Miss Buchanan took over that school and began the boarding school. Our entertainment at Christmas time this year was a jubilee celebration of this double anniversary. As many of our 102 graduates as could be there, were present and we had a very happy time. Fifty-two of our graduates are married, 10 are dead, 26 are now in some form of Christian service, and 26 others have been in Christian work at some time in their lives. Of course many of our girls have been and are in Christian service, who never completed the course. Of our 13 Egyptian teachers in Luxor all but one are from this school. The one, when a very small girl, really, started

the school under Mrs. Murch's direction. Before that she had been in the boys' school here and had received two or three years training in Assiut. She has read and studied, and grown with the school till now she is teaching some of our most advanced classes. At the Jubilee a framed testimonial of appreciation for her long years of faithful service was presented to her.

In October I went to Assiut hospital for five weeks. Miss Campbell carried my classes and a good bit of my other work here. I was not seriously ill at any time, but couldn't seem to get well. At present I'm working as usual and the trouble is much improved. I'm still on diet and taking medicine, but hope to be through with it sometime.

I happen to be chairman of our curriculum committee for girls' schools. We are all hard at work getting a new course of study, with suggestions for teachers, ready for the printer. It is really a revised course, not a new one. It is to be printed in Arabic, and we hope that it will be a very real help not only to the teachers in our own Mission schools, but also to our graduates and others who are teaching in Church or private schools.

IDA WHITESIDE

AMERICAN MISSION CLINIC AND CHILD WELFARE CENTER, BENHA, EGYPT

Report for the Year 1926

Number treated each month	Money received each month
January, 2384	$ 14.40
February, 3,112	16.85
March, 3186	19.00
April, 2561	11.50
May, 3302	22.00
June, 2400	22.25
July, 2216	30.00
August, 3667	21.25
September, 3078	22.25
October, 2700	19.50
November, 2254	12.50
December, 2325	25.25
Total, 33185	$236.75

The persons enumerated above comprise Moslems, Copts and Jews. During the year 1926 we had people from 83 different villages. During the year 1925 from 73 villages.

The most of our men come in for simple things. It is nothing unusual here to see one Mohammedan reading the Gospel of John to another Mohammedan. Much of our work this year was with scabies and sore heads. We have many undernourished babies, who do well when we can get them to come regularly for sun baths and virol. Dr. Foad of the Government Hospital has seen all in need of medical attention, and we thank him for it. Dr. Abadir from our Hospital in Tanta started work here in our Clinic December 15th. He comes three times every week. We are very glad indeed for this.

One Bible Woman, trained in the Tanta Bible Women's Training school, gives her whole time to teaching the women, not only about the Bible, but how to make a binder and a dress or a bonnet for a small girl's sore head.

MAY HOLLAND, R. N.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MARTHA McKEOWN HOSPITAL TANTA, EGYPT

—1926—

STATISTICAL REPORT

Number of patients admitted		1092
Men	528	
Women	390	
Children	174	
		1092

NATIONALITIES

Egyptian	957	
American	109	
Greek	6	
Syrian	6	
British	4	
Bedouin	2	
French	2	
Turkish	1	
Berberine	1	
Sudanese	1	
German	1	
Jewish	1	
Armenian	1	
		1092

RELIGIONS

Moslem	825	
Protestant	156	
Coptic	93	
Catholic	8	
Jewish	3	
Greek Orthodox	12	
		1092

RESULTS

Cured	327	
Improved	420	
Unimproved	93	
Died	39	
Observation	123	
Delivered	18	
Unclassified	30	
Still in hospital	42	
		1092
Total number of operations		366
Number of patients operated on		319

Anaesthetics

Chloroform and Ether	221	
Stovaine	66	
Novocaine	44	
Cocaine and Novocaine	1	
Borocaine	2	
Novocaine, Morphine and Scopalimine	2	
Without Anaesthetic	30	
		366

Obstetrical Cases

In hospital	18	
Outside Cases	7	
		25

Intravenous Injections

Tartar Emetic	4397	
Neo-salvarsan	163	
		4560
Towns and villages represented by hospital patients		213
Number of missionaries' and missionaries children in hospital during the year		78
Hospital days for missionaries		490
Operation on missionaries		11
Total number of hospital days		17227
Average number of days for each patient		15.77
Clinic visits		5475
Number of village visits		12
Number of villages visited		11
Tanta visits		430
Total receipts		$15,942.64
Total expenses		$27,495.95

The medical work at Tanta for 1926 has not been quite so prosperous as in preceeding years, neither in hospital patients nor in the out department. This does not mean that we are not getting our share of the work, for the falling off has been general in all medical work in the district. A short time ago a prominent Egyptian doctor from Cairo told me that during the past year his work had not been more than one fifth of what it was three years ago.

There are two reasons for this. The number of doctors has markedly increased during this time. The

prices of farm produce, especially cotton, has been very low.

At no time in its history has the hospital held the confidence of the people better than at the present time.

As will be seen from the statistical report, all nationalities and religions found in Egypt have been represented by in-patients. Two hundred and seventy-two towns and villages have been reached through patients treated in the hospital. A larger percentage of patients has been treated either entirely free or for a mere nominal sum than ever before. As in former years the bulk of the patients has been Moslem.

FATMA GOHARI

Fatma Gohari is a little girl who came to us in a very hopeless condition. Her people seldom come to see her. She is a bright and happy little girl when well enough to enjoy herself and although but four years old has never been known to make a fuss or to be an annoyance in the ward.

Mahmoud Mohammed is another of the unwanted. The mother died at the birth of this child. The father, a very poor man earning less than ten dollars, a month, was again married a few weeks after the death of his first wife. The poor little tot looked as if he could not live many days when brought here for care, and, contrary to expectation, developed into a strong healthy baby. What is to become of him?

GALEELA SAID

Galeela Said is a very poor Sudanese woman without friends. The people with whom she lived brought her and paid a very small amount toward her expense. Great suffering has been her lot. She is afflicted with tuberculous disease of the hip, and is unable to sit up on account of the pain it causes her.

These are from among the poorer classes. There is a brighter side to the story. The first and second class

MAHMOUD MOHAMMED

rooms have been well patronized and we have, as well, many grateful patients among the educated and wealthy families from many of the surrounding towns.

As I write this we have in the hospital the daughter of a Pasha. Pasha is the highest rank of nobility granted by the king.

The most important step taken in the hospital work during the year was the appointment by Association of the Rev. W. B. Jamison as hospital evangelist. Mr. Jamison has made a thorough preparation for this work —a work which is new to him—and we feel sure that, with the courses of Bible study which he has planned, the patients will go away from the hospital with a much better knowledge of the plan of salvation than they would have under a more haphazard system.

We are very happy over Mr. Jamison's appointment and we look forward to great things. It has been our desire for many years to have an American missionary spending his full time in this work. Although only a few months in the work Mr. Jamison is already much encouraged by the results he is seeing, not only in the hospital but out in the towns and villages he has visited in his follow-up work.

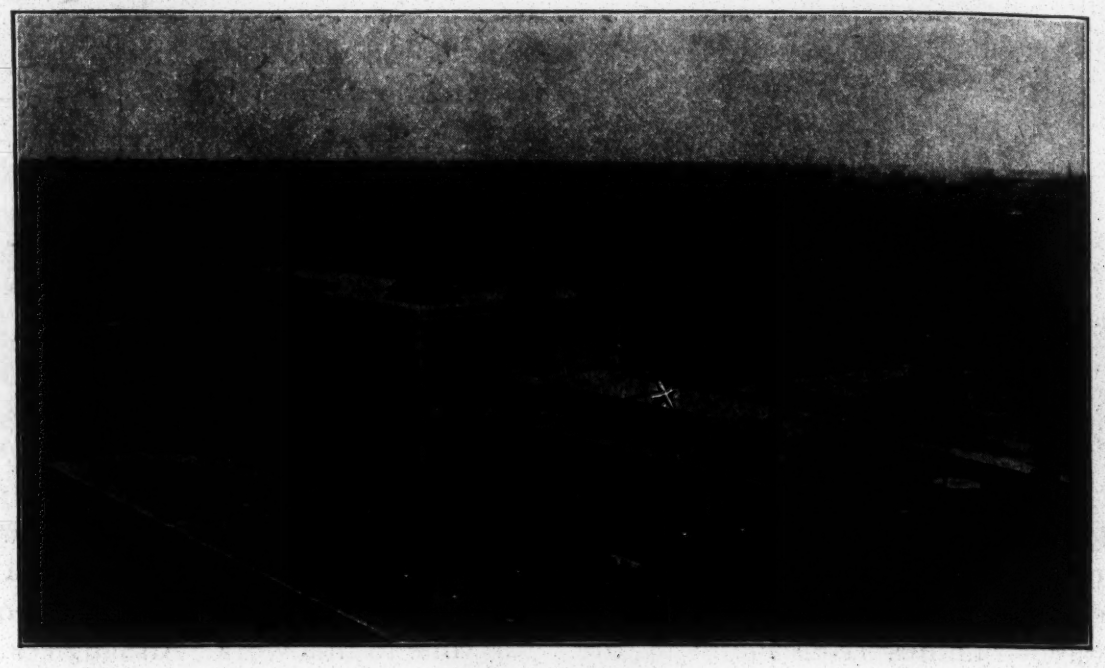
Mr. Jamison and Mr. Murcus both need the prayers of our church, that God may bless this work abundantly.

A. F. GRANT

REPORT OF EVANGELISTIC WORK IN TANTA HOSPITAL.

This last summer Association gave considerable time to the discussion of the appointment of a man to devote his whole time to the Evangelistic work in connection with the Hospital. That the Evangelistic opportunities presented by the Hospital work were

not being fully seized was admitted generally, but there was considerable doubt as to whether or not a Missionary could be appointed to give his full time to that work. However, the writer was finally assigned to undertake the work.



TANTA HOSPITAL

Heretofore a lay-preacher has been employed by the Hospital and has done what he could to give the Gospel to the patients and visitors. Murkus Effendi did faithful work, and was in many ways particularly adapted to such work. When the new plan was adopted he was not only willing but glad to co-operate, and the two of us have combined our ideas and efforts in order to more fully meet the great opportunities presented. It is a real regret on the part of the doctors and all of us that we do not have an Egyptian Bible Woman who would do amongst the women what Murkus Effendi does with the men. A Bible woman who could fit into Hospital routine and could get along well with the other Hospital workers is hard to find. We pray that such a one may be found soon. During the meantime Miss Finney and Miss Dwight at the school for Bible women have been sending workers one or two days a week to teach and deal personally with the women patients.

One of the first needs felt this fall was that of providing a systematic series of Bible lessons for the patients. The average stay of the patients in the Hospital is fifteen days. That means that, if we would give two lessons a day, one in the morning and one in the evening, the average patient could receive thirty lessons. With that in mind we worked out such a series of lessons. The first lessons have to do with sin, and the aim is to give the Holy Spirit an opportunity to convict of sin. Then the love of God is presented. This is followed by the results of that love as seen in the prophecy that Christ

would come. Then come the lessons on the Birth of Christ; Christ's testimony to Himself; God's testimony to Christ; the testimony of the miracles; the betrayal and crucifixion, the resurrection; appearances after resurrection; the need for the new birth; salvation defined and assured; victory over sin; and the happy experience of the saved. When a man has heard such a series of Bible lessons surely the Lord has a great basis for effectual work in him. The great majority of the patients are Moslems and we could not be sure at first just what their attitude would be to hearing two Bible lessons each day. It has been a matter of great satisfaction, however, to find that there has been practically no serious objection, and that in general there has been much appreciation. Since November first the two Bible lessons have been given each day regularly seven days a week.

In order that the patients may get truth through the eye as well as through the ear, and thereby understand more fully, we use pictures. The pictures in the Sabbath School rolls, which are commonly used in the primary departments, are mounted on heavy cardboard. Then we had a number of large frames made to fit. These frames have a back which is on hinges and the picture can be easily removed and replaced by another. So, if we are reading and explaining the fifteenth chapter of Luke, we have in the frames the picture of the Prodigal son. Then in the evening if the lesson is on a miracle we have a picture showing that miracle. In each of the wards we have two frames hung so that all patients may see whether they are on one side or the other. Then, too, after we have left, it seems quite reasonable, that, as the patient lies in his bed and looks at the picture, the Holy Spirit will have much additional opportunity to recall to his mind what he heard and to drive home the truth.

Three or four times a week the evening lessons are illustrated by the lantern and slides. Those lessons which are the most difficult for Moslems to receive without objection are well received when the lantern-pictures are shown. The lantern we use is an old one which has been in the possession of the Tanta station for some time, and the pictures also. It has meant much to have the use of them so regularly, for they fit in so well with our needs.

Having in mind the follow-up work we planned a special book for our records. In this book the names of the patients are kept in alphabetical order as an index, and likewise the names of the towns. From these indexes it is easy to turn to the place in the book where the fuller information is found. Then in case of a visit to a village the names of any patients who have come from that place may be found quickly. Provision is made also for keeping notes on the follow-up work itself.

The follow-up work is based on the contacts formed and work done in the Hospital. When a patient has heard the series of studies which extends over a period of fifteen days, thirty lessons in all, he is one in whom we may well expect that the Lord has done much. So it is with expectation that a visit is made to his home to

see the results of the work of the Holy Spirit. Although this part of the work has been begun but a short time, yet some very interesting visits have been made. This week the writer has been out every day. The visit today was in the home of a man who was in the Hospital forty-two days so he had heard more than usual. He was a man of more than average intelligence, and evidently a rather strict Moslem. On arrival today in his town, which was reached after an hour's ride in the Ford, it was apparent that the man was held in esteem generally. A number of men offered to show me the house. I found the man still sick, for he did not respond well to the treatment in the Hospital and is likely incurable. He was sitting on a mattress stretched out on the floor. No sooner had I seated myself cross-legged on the floor than the room began to fill up with interested friends, mostly Sheyukh of the better class. Such gathering in of men is not encouraged, however, for if it were possible to have the person visited entirely alone the conditions would be much better for the best personal work. But in such a case as this today the case must be dealt with just as it is. After lengthy greetings and the drinking of a cup of tea and then a cup of hot milk, I asked the man whether or not he would like to have me read something which he had heard in the Hospital. He explained to those present that in the Hospital we read from the Gospel and explained what was read as well as showed pictures. He told me to read anything I desired, and gave the crowd to understand that he wanted them to listen. I was led to turn to the third chapter of John and spent quite a lot of time reading and explaining as I read. That Moslem audience gave fine attention and did not utter a word of criticism or objection. The sick man seemed real appreciative, but could hardly be expected to give any special outward sign or testimony there before the crowd of Moslems. Of course it would have been a joy to have heard it, but when one thinks of the fanaticism possible with Moslems it is easy to see how hard it must be for those inclined to accept Christ to come out boldly and do so. In any case the appreciation of this particular man was very encouraging, and there was much to give hope. On leaving, I left with him portions of Scripture, the Gospel of Matthew, and some tracts. So through them also the Lord can work. I hope that we can get to see him again in the near future, and learn more about what is going on in his heart.

Because of the full program we have made for the patients in the Hospital we are unable to take proper advantage of the opportunity provided daily by the Clinic. While the patients wait to see the doctors there is a fine opportunity for reading and explaining the Word to them. The same is true in regard to the many visitors who come to the Hospital on visiting days. While the visitors sit around waiting for the doors to open they make a good audience for an Evangelist. But in order to properly care for all these opportunities we ought to have another lay-preacher in addition to the one we have, as well as to have the Bible woman who was

previously spoken of as much needed. To do all this would call for quite an increase in the appropriation.

The Hospital is a great agency for opening the way for the Gospel. The faithful and skillful work of the doctors and nurses, as well as their lives, speak for Christ, and also pave the way for the preaching of the Word in the Hospital and the follow-up work outside. May our prayers for the conversions of many souls now soon be answered.

W. B. JAMISON

THE YEAR IN THE SUDAN

GIRLS' BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL, KHARTUM NORTH

Boarding Pupils	130
Day Pupils	185
Total	315
Boarding fees	$1743.12½
Tuitions	889.37½
	2632.50
Protestants	44
Copts	118
Moslems	121
Others	32
Total	315

The year 1926 has seen a great change in the property of the Girls' Boarding school as you already know. A new wing has been added to the building giving us four new rooms upstairs for missionaries, which relieve a very cramped condition, as well as four new class rooms downstairs, one of which has been furnished by the patrons of the school with three new Singer sewing machines, tables, chairs and cupboards for a sewing room. Then there are wide verandas upstairs and down being used for dormitory and class room space.

A complete new roof has been put on over part of the old building, and the wall around our School compound has been built up so that men and boys can not talk over the wall to our girls. For all of this we are most grateful; it makes our work easier, more efficient, and more pleasant. We thank Him for all you have enabled us to do by your offerings.

Our school work has gone on much as usual in spite of the carrying out of the Government regulations requiring all parents or guardians entering children in our school to sign an agreement that they were willing that their children should be taught the Christian religion. Many felt by this very act of signing they were turning their children over to become Christians at once. Some thirty or forty girls were taken out or kept out because of this who would otherwise have been in school; so our number of pupils is not quite so high as it would have been. While this has been most discouraging yet we are confident that in the end it will result for the good of His cause. One thing is certain, there can be no doubt in their minds as to where we stand on the question.

A class of three girls finished the course of study this year and received diplomas, bringing the number of our graduates up to twenty. These three would have been glad to remain in school to take higher work but we were not so staffed that we could have

higher classes this year; but I firmly believe that this is a step that we need to be considering if we train the teachers we need for the higher classes. There is a strong possibility that we will have to part ere long with all Egyptian teachers and all trained in Egypt, and that leaves us to our own girls or Syrian teachers and they are expensive and not satisfactory at that; and so we are up against the problem as to whether we shall add more grades to our course for this coming year.

Church services have been well attended on the whole as has also our Sabbath School.

Two girls have confessed their faith in Christ and united with the church during the year.

E. E. GROVE

WILLIAM LITTLE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, WADI HALFA

The school began the first of September with a goodly enrollment and even brighter prospects than the preceding year. However these were not to last for, with the enforcement in October of the New Government regulation by which all Moslem parents must sign a written agreement that they have absolutely no objection to their children being taught the Christian religion or any other training that we consider useful to the mind, soul or body, nearly all of our Moslem pupils were withdrawn. With one exception all of the Moslem parents who had had children in our school stated in the presence of the Governor of Halfa Province that they had no objection to their children being taught the Bible but that they could not sign a *written* agreement to that effect as it was against their religion and asking that the written agreement might be withdrawn.

However the acting Director of Education in the Sudan who was responsible for insisting on the written agreement was obdurate and like Pilate it was a case of "What I have written, I have written."

The result in our case has been that the enrollment of the school has been reduced more than half and our Moslem girls number only twelve.

We do thank God for the twelve though and while the year has been very discouraging yet we have strong faith to believe that God will not permit His work to suffer and that He will provide some way for these people who are yet in darkness to come to the Light and we praise Him for this assurance. A message which has come to us from His word is, "Rest in the Lord and wait patiently."

Though our numbers have been few there has been an opportunity for closer personal contact and there has been perhaps a keener interest in the Word. Some of our older Moslem girls have offered voluntary prayer in the name of Jesus Christ and have given evidence that the seed has found good soil in which to grow. Others have said to me, "Teach us to pray like you pray," realizing that the Christian's prayer is different from the Moslems, which is all form.

In going into one Moslem home the mother was proudly telling us how her little daughter who is in school this year for the first time had learned I Corinthians 13, and we know that the message is often carried home by means of the little lips.

We covet your prayers that gov-

ernmental hindrances may be overcome; that His name may be glorified in the Sudan and that His power may be released in behalf of this needy people.

UNA COIE

WORK AMONG WOMEN, OMDURMAN

Lessons taught in Arabic Reading and Bible:

In the Muselma	318
In the Abbassia	517
In the Orta	522
In the Maurada	920
Total	2277
Occasional hearers	1120
Yearly enrollment	169
Present roll	70
Scripture readers	32

A study of the record for nine months of 1926 shows that 28 of our pupils in Omdurman have had between 20 and 30 lessons each in Arabic reading and Scripture, 17 between 30 and 40 lessons and one had 44 lessons. 40 would be considered a perfect record with one lesson a week but this girl had two lessons a week part of the time. This reveals one of the difficulties of the work among women, regularity and preparation. However the record shows progress along this line. A large number of our pupils have been without a teacher since the end of March when Miss Denny closed her work. We feel thankful for the good health of our one Bible woman and that so little time has been lost this year on account of sickness.

We find that 32 who have had lessons during the year are now able to read in the Bible and this is our object in teaching them to read. In most cases we have used the gospel of Matthew as the first Bible reading as this gospel is usually more acceptable to the Moslems. It has been a great joy to teach them the "Sermon on the Mount" though some might say that this great sermon was designed especially for Christians. Nevertheless it affords splendid opportunities to bring out the great gulf between Christianity and Islam. The teachings on divorce, marriage, profanity, honesty, purity, humility, etc., so clearly dealt with by our Lord are all in marked contrast to the teachings on the same subjects in the Koran and other Islamic books.

It is with thanksgiving that we record that the adverse action of the government this fall has not had the disastrous effects on the work in the homes that threatened. Although a large number of those enrolled decided to discontinue their lessons through fear, yet the loyal ones and the addition of a few new ones still give us more than enough for two workers. And it has been gratifying to us when so many of those who had stopped their lessons have asked us to come back. In most cases we have not been able to so through lack of time so with these and several new ones we have a waiting list ready for the second Bible woman whom we are still praying for. We are in great need of a second missionary in Omdurman to reach the great untouched districts of the city. We deeply regret that Miss Denny for health reasons was unable to continue her work which she was doing so faithfully and with such promise for the future, but we trust she may soon be strong again.

Classes in sewing, writing and arithmetic meet in the home of the missionary twice a week in the afternoon. We are hoping that the proprietor of the rented house we occupy may be willing to put in electric lights so we shall be able to use the radiopticon furnished for the work by the ladies of the W. M. S. Indiana Harbor. Every year presents new possibilities which seem to be limited only by time and strength. We are full of thanksgiving for the marvelous answers to prayer that we have experienced during the critical days of September and October.

Sincerely your co-worker.

AULORA R. MCINTYRE

BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK, WADI HALFA

Our report for 1925 showed four pupils, two Moslems and two Copts. The year 1926 records some gains. During the year there have been two hundred and thirty-eight lessons given to fifteen pupils. Of these four were Moslems, eight Copts, two Protestants and one Catholic. All are Egyptians except one Berber. Various causes have varied the enrollment but of the fifteen pupils, five have been constant through the year and the present enrollment is eight. Six of these are reading the Bible and the other two have Bible lessons but they have not yet finished the Primer. There have been thirty-seven listeners to the Bible lesson other than the regular pupils.

It was interesting the other day to hear one of the women checking back on her own progress. Some visitors were joking her because she read so slowly: She turned and asked me how long I had been coming to her. When I replied a year she said, "Yes, but a year ago I did not even know a letter and now I am reading Mark. My brain was so thick I thought I would never learn the letters but the women helped me and now I have finished the Gospel of John and have nearly finished Mark. The Lord gives brains to those who want to read the Bible." Her desire to read the Bible for herself has been like a goal before her to spur her on. She has the least natural ability of any of the group of four women who started with her but has made the most progress. She learned that one of the others had begun in Matthew when she had finished John instead of Mark as she did. Immediately she asked if she might have a Matthew to try and spell out the words when she had time to see if it was hard as Mark.

Another woman who only began in November has a little girl that started to school this fall. It had been hard to persuade this woman that it was possible for a grown woman with children to learn to read but once she began she has been very diligent and progressed nicely as she has a bright mind. One day when I went in I found her so ill that she could not take her lesson but almost the first thing she said to me was "My little girl has passed me two lessons." I assured her that she would soon make up the lessons for she was more diligent. One of her encouragements has been that her husband has been very much pleased with her progress.

While there has been some progress yet there remains much land to be possessed. We have entrance to

only one Berber home, and that of a woman who came here from Khartoum and had been taking lessons there. Since the opposition to signing the government contracts for parents who enter pupils in our school we have lost all entrance into the Sudanese homes and the few Berbers where we could visit. They have been made afraid by the threats of their religious leaders. And though they see that none of the dire results predicted have followed yet they have not overcome their fear of us.

But our God is able. He has commanded us to go up and possess the land and He goes before in His own time. Jeremiah 33:3 has come to be our verse. "Call unto Me and I will answer Thee and will shew thee great and mighty things.which thou knowest not."

MARY E. COIE

NASSER CLINIC

Another year has passed and as I stop to think about it, I wonder what has been accomplished. Clinic work each day—except when I attended Association meeting at Doleib Hill in December. Language study two hours a day with teachers and more than that by myself.

Conducting the clinic service every other week has helped me wonderfully with the language, regardless of what it may have done for Nuers. I have written a short resume of each Sabbath School lesson and then multigraphed it on the backs of the Sabbath School cards. Of course, few of our Sabbath School pupils can read but they all know that a little portion of the Word of God is there written in their own language and maybe it will help them to realize that the Word is for them too and that our lack of knowledge of their language is the only barrier between them and it.

We had an eight days conference for our Christians here in March and all of us enjoyed it.

I have been trying to teach two women to be Sabbath School teachers but one of them has left to go to her village. Our Sabbath School has grown this year. A year ago 50 was considered a good attendance and now we think 70 is very poor. We have had 130-140 the past two Sabbaths.

I have had a sewing class once a week for the girls with attendance ranging from 3 to 15. Am teaching basketry and mat weaving now.

A little blind girls was learning to read the Braille type and she did well at it for about 2 months and then her people decided that she ought to be paid for coming for the lessons, so the lessons stopped. But she knows she can read and the Nuers also know that a blind person can be taught to read. Maybe she will return some day.

I had a baby wildcat in the clinic and my room for about 10 days but it died of malnutrition. Milk administered with a medicine dropper evidently isn't the treatment a wildcat desires.

I shall go to.Sinkat in July for vacation and return here after Association. So the year has gone. God knows what has been accomplished. I do not.

RAY HUFFMAN

THE YEAR IN ABYSSINIA

REPORT OF GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ADDIS ABABA, ABYSSINIA

From January 1926 to January 1927

Number of Clinic Patients	9561
Number of In-Patients	697
Male	562
Female	135
Number of Hospital days	13946
Medical Cases	492
Surgical Cases	205
Recovered	544
Improved	94
Unimproved	17
Deaths	42
Operations	207
Cash Receipts	$7,835.95

A. W. POLLOCK, M. D.

Owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Pollock, Miss Ewing and Miss Beatty, they were unable to send annual reports.

REPORT OF MRS. GEORGE MOORE MEMORIAL FUND

TO APRIL 15, 1927

Albany	$ 61.00
Allegheny	521.50
Argyle	14.75
Arkansas Valley	20.00
Beaver Valley	224.00
Big Spring	
Boston	114.85
Butler	126.35
Caledonia	119.00
Cedar Rapids	45.75
Chartiers	194.30
Chicago	104.75
Cleveland	169.90
College Springs	31.00
Colorado	53.00
Concordia	9.10
Conemaugh	164.80
Delaware	30.90
Des Moines	41.00
Detroit	33.60
Frankfort	3.00
Garnett	22.00
Hudson	56.00
Idaho	12.00
Illinois Southern	99.25
Indiana	42.00
Indiana Northern	24.00
Kansas City	41.25
Keokuk	75.30
Kiskiminetas	69.00
Lake	68.00
Los Angeles	179.00
Mansfield	34.00
Mercer	34.50
Monmouth	49.25
Monongahela	672.25
Muskingum	113.50
New York	12.00
Ohio First	127.31
Oklahoma	33.00
Omaha	21.00
Oregon	31.00
Ohio Northwestern	16.00
Pawnee	11.00
Philadelphia	203.50
Puget Sound	11.00
Rock Island	33.15
San Francisco	66.00
Spokane	7.00
Steubenville	94.50
Tennessee	55.00
Texas	13.00
Uncompahgre	7.50
Vermont	10.00
Westmoreland	201.20
Wheeling	114.00
Wisconsin	50.80
Xenia	400.30
Egyptian Missionaries	160.00
Indian Missionaries	111.10
Individuals, etc.	411.75
Total	$5874.96

A TRIBUTE TO DR. CARRIE M. BUCHANAN

Read at Memorial Service in Pittsburg, Kansas

DR. Carrie M. Buchanan was born in Hebron, Indiana, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Buchanan. She graduated from the Hebron High School, the Academy at Troy and the Western College for Women, Oxford, Ohio.

When quite young she seemed to have a capacity to see a door of opportunity where other people saw but a stone wall. She was always sweet. gracious and sympathetic. It can truly be said of her that "none knew her but to love her."

After graduation from college, she taught in the public schools of Indiana and Des Moines, Iowa, and also for a short time taught the Shoshone Indians on the reservation. She often said, "Teaching the Shoshone Indians led me to see what a terrible thing it is to be without a knowledge of Christ."

Her heart early turned to foreign mission service. We cannot do better than quote from the *Egyptian Gazette* of November, 1925, which published an appreciation of her services just prior to her leaving that country on account of ill health.

"Dr Buchanan came as an American Missionary to Egypt in December, 1893. She spent her first four months studying Arabic and teaching in the Ezbekieh Girls' Boarding School in Cairo. At the end of four months she was sent to Assiut to have charge of the Pressly Memorial Institute, the boarding school for girls, while Miss Jessie Hogg, the superintendent was at home on furlough. There were then some two hundred or more girls in school, to be left in the care of this young missionary. Upon the return of the superintendent, Miss Buchanan was appointed to the American College for boys in Assiut, to teach History of Religions, Church History, General History, Bible and Philosophy. While attached to the College she organized the Temperance and the Literary societies. She was also made a member of the administrative faculty of the college, the only woman who has ever held that distinction. This position Miss Buchanan held till near the close of her first term of seven years' service.

After her furlough in America, Miss Buchanan was appointed to Luxor, having obtained the consent of the Women's Board of the United Presbyterian Church of North America to open a boarding school there. Previously there had been only a day school. The boarding school started in a rented building, but land was bought bit by bit, and the American Mission set aside a sum of money for the building. As the work progressed it became apparent to Miss Buchanan that much larger funds would be needed, and it was here that one of her rarest gifts came into play —that of being able to interest people of means to share with her and with the Mission in giving the girls of Egypt a more adequate opportunity for an education. Among many others who gave liberally were Miss Bruce, of Scotland, a granddaughter

of David Livingstone, and Theodore M. Davis, who for so many years was so closely identified with the excavations at Thebes. The boarding school opened with three boarders, and by the end of the first year there were fifteen enrolled. When Miss Buchanan left Luxor in 1911, the school had grown to number 230 pupils, of whom 75 were boarders. They were comfortably housed in one of the best of the many splendid American Mission buildings in the valley of the Nile.

Later she was brought to Cairo to be head of the American Mission College for girls. While connected with this Institution, which is the highest school for girls conducted by the American Mission, Miss Buchanan helped get additional land and made various material improvements. She held this position till she was compelled to go home on account of her health in 1917.

"During her prolonged stay in America Miss Buchanan underwent many severe operations, and no one expected her to recover, but she still clung to the thought that she would return to her beloved Egypt. While at home, her *alma mater*, the Western College for Women of Oxford, Ohio, conferred on her the degree of Doctor Literature. While convalescing in a nursing home, Dr. Buchanan became interested in child welfare work, and obtained the literature put out by the United States Government and conducted a class of nurses in the subject.

"In 1921 Dr. Buchanan was able to return to Egypt, when she was appointed to do social, literary and evangelistic work among women. In carrying out this appointment Dr. Buchanan has opened child welfare centers in Bab el Sha'iriya and in Hussaniya, and at the time of her leaving Egypt there were prospects of opening two further centers. In the past year there were 3,000 different women treated at the clinic.

"Dr. Buchanan's literary work consisted chiefly in writing articles on Child Welfare and various social topics for the Arabic newspapers, and biographical sketches of the lives of eminent women as inspirational studies.

"Dr. Buchanan also organized a Women's Christian Temperance Union among Egyptians, which society sent a delegate to the World W. C. T. U. Convention in Edinburgh. The society had public meetings addressed by men of note, and obtained the signature of thousands of Egyptian women to put a prohibition clause into the Constitution.

"Although she has been definitely engaged in women's work and is a feminist in the best sense, yet many men—pastors, teachers, sheiks and labourers have sought her counsel."

Eternity only will reveal the results of the life of thirty-four years of service of this wonderful Christian woman in the land of the Pharaohs.

Her malady again assumed a virulent form and she was compelled to come back to America in November, 1925. From that date until May 13, 1927, her suffering was intense. For three months of the time she was confined to her bed but not a murmur of complaint was ever heard from

her lips. Whenever she spoke of leaving her loved ones it was always as going on a journey to meet her Master whom she worshipped, and the loved ones of earth who had preceded her.

On the evening of May fourteenth a wonderful service was conducted at Long Beach, California by Dr. Kennedy of Los Angeles and Dr. Campbell of Pasadena. Both knew her personally and much about her work. Dr. Kennedy spoke particularly of God's great gifts to His children and of the wonderful gift "Death" had been to our sweet sister. Dr. Campbell used the last Chapter of Proverbs, picturing the perfect woman, illustrating step by step how nearly this precious life coincided.

Her sister, Mrs. Crooks, who had been with her for months, started back to the childhood home in Hebron with the precious body. Rev. Bruce Giffen, a brother-in-law met her at Ogden.

In the little church where her father had preached the Gospel for forty-seven years, another beautiful service was held, attended by the family and many childhood friends. The pastor of the Hebron Congregation, Mr. Nugent, assisted by the Methodist minister and Mr. Giffen conducted the service. They dwelt largely on her work and its importance, rather than dealing in eulogies about her personality, giving the audience a most vivid vision of the vastness and importance of foreign mission service.

Mr. Theodore M. Davis, of whom mention has been made, was an ardent friend and admirer of Dr. Buchanan. So much so that when his last will and testament was read he had generously remembered his friend. She in turn early arranged her affairs that her "work should literally follow her," as shown by the following quotation, "I feel it is the wisest and safest thing to get this money into the hands of the Board, before I am ready to leave for the other Home." The income from the Annuity Bonds which she held was to be expended as follows, "I would like the money used for the Luxor Girls School, for extra scholarships for poor worthy girls, or in any way that the *Board may deem wisest* as a *special*, not, of course, to be used in the regular appropriations." By this wise action on her part all court charges, inheritance taxes, lawyers' fees, etc., were saved and the fund for the benefit of Luxor thereby augmented.

Dr. Buchanan was supported from the beginning of her missionary career by the Monongahela Presbyterial Missionary Society whose members deeply mourn her loss. Her letters were always an inspiration and encouragement to press forward in the work of the Kingdom.

She has entered eternal life and has received the welcome from the Saviour when she served so well, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

Cables were promptly sent to Egypt. Reply received states "Memorial will be sent to *The Womens Missionary Magazine.*

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MINUTES

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tribute in the largest possible way toward the advancement of His Kingdom, we memorialize and implore the General Assembly acting in accordance with what we believe to be the desire of the women of the church and also many other consecrated leaders to close all negotiations as to union with other denominations and to summon our entire constituency to the most thoughtful unified and aggressive service of the Master prayerfully looking to Him to lead us as we labor together for the establishment of His Kingdom on earth.

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 28

Mrs. J. R. Alexander of Egypt was introduced to the Convention as the leader of the final devotional service. She took occasion to thank those who were instrumental in bringing the Missionary mothers to the meeting, of which she was one. Mrs. Alexander read verses from John 14 and emphasized the value of the words, "my peace I leave with you." They were the final words of Jesus to his disciples and he meant to make his disciples courageous and to strengthen them to go forward without fear. Our church seems to be hesitating and to be cutting off work. It is necessary for us to have more faith and accept the peace that Jesus left for his workers.

Miss Smith led in prayer. The solo "As the Heart Panteth" was beautifully sung by Professor William Menne.

The Secretary was authorized to complete the minutes of the Convention without further reading.

Miss Dora Whitely introduced Mrs. Samuel by telling the story of her accepting Jesus when young and passing several years quietly until prepared to do work among her own people. She has continued to work ever since with rare acceptability and success. Mrs. Samuel led in prayer, pleading for the presence and help of God in each heart. She read verses from Ezekiel 36 and Ephesians 4, bearing upon the promise of God to forgive sin and to call out from all nations a people that shall be peculiarly His own. Mrs. Samuel says that India is not a nation as America and England are, but she rejoices that all who are cleansed by Jesus may become a nation. She believes that victory over sin will silence all questions about the divinity of Jesus since the fact of forgiven sin can only be ascribed to divine power. Victory over sin opens the way to answered prayer. We should be giants in the victorious life and in our prayer life. We have not begun to give as we should. We do not sacrifice that we may give to the Lord. Mrs. Samuel urges the followers of Jesus to go out to live the life of victors and to take time to pray. A lovely solo, "Consider the Lilies" was sung by Professor Menne.

The annual consecration service was directed by Mrs. H. C. Campbell. When all the missionaries had been assembled on the platform, Mrs. Campbell addressed the Convention in touching words regarding the coming separation that awaits all, and in a particular sense the separation involved in the sailing of our Foreign

Missionaries and the return of our Home Missionaries to their field. She repeated a chain of verses of warning, advice, suggestion, encouragement, comfort, faith. She pledged the congregation in a three-fold promise to pray for the missionaries, to encourage them in every way and to give for their support. The response to these promises were "Amen." All sang together:

Go forth in His service
And strong in His might
To conquer all evil
And stand for the right.

The closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Campbell and the large audience joined in the Amen.

Dr. J. H. Hutchman pronounced the benediction, after which the President declared the Convention of 1927 adjourned to meet in 1928.

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REST AND SERVICE

Luke 10:42

"Christ never asks of us such busy labor,
As leaves no time for resting at His feet;
The waiting attitude of expectation
He ofttimes counts a service most complete.

"He sometimes wants our ear—our rapt attention,
That he some sweetest secret may impart;
'Tis always in the time of deepest silence
That heart finds fellowship with heart.

"And yet he does love service where 'tis given
By grateful love that clothes itself in deed;
But work that's done beneath the scourge of duty,
Be sure to such, he gives but little heed.

"Then seek to please him, whatso'er he bids thee,
Whether to do—to suffer—to lie still;
'Twill matter little by what path He leads thee,
If in it all thou seekest to do His will."

—Selected.

Foreign Correspondence

INDIA

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CHANGES I HAVE SEEN

By Mrs. Nancy Ewing Lucas

Purdah—Is it any less strict, and if so, how much?

I have talked with several since my return from furlough, on this subject, and the general feeling is that in the large social centers *purdah* is giving way. One Mohammedan graduate said to me when we were discussing the great changes in Turkey, no veiled women allowed, etc., "These changes are bound to come in India too, but we are more conservative so they will come more slowly." He expressed admiration for the bravery of those who have broken *purdah* already, but said—"Those who are high up and of assured position can afford to do so, whereas, ordinary people dare not take the step because of the force of public opinion, and especially the opinion of older relatives."

I know three high class Mohammedan families in which *purdah* is not kept; by families I mean not only the wife, but the married and unmarried daughters as well. I will mention these three cases in detail. The Indian gentleman when in the foreign diplomatic service married a Persian lady; neither she nor her daughters have ever observed *purdah*. They wear Indian dress, the *sari*, and attended Queen Mary college with other high class Mohammedan and Hindu girls. One of the girls has been married for some years and has several children. Her husband is a brother of Lady Mohammed Shafi, and the example of this family undoubtedly influenced the Mohammed Shafi family in laying aside purdah. The other sister took her medical course in Delhi and has gone to England for further training.

Mrs. A. A. was brought up in the home of an Uncle who had married an English lady; the home was quite European, the girl wore English clothes and attended English schools; she married a Mohammedan barrister. About that time the pendulum swung back to intense nationalism, so she threw aside her European dress and adopted the Indian *sari*. Her daughter was brought up in much the same way she had been. They are a bit extreme in both dress and manner and mix in the strange cosmopolitan society of the educated Indian community found in our large cities, comprised of both Mohammedans and Hindus, some of them with English wives, many of them "England returned;" few of the wives of this group observe *purdah*. In the largest city of the Punjab this community has formed a "Cosmopolitan Club;" they have their Club house and grounds for sports the same as the English community; they were not allowed to become members of the English Club. There was a great furore a few years ago when Miss A. A. suddenly married, against her parents wishes, Mr. Kanhaya Lal Gauba, the son of the Minister of Agriculture. They were married by the Sikh ceremony as that is simpler, and does not require the performance of so many rites as the regular Hindu ceremony.

The third case was a real breaking of *purdah*. Sir M. S. was at one time a student in our college, and then went to England to study law. On his return he prospered greatly, and he and his cousin, a Chief Justice, were among the leading Mohammedans of the Province, though as far as actual birth goes, they have nothing to boast of, they are self made men. The whole family is very much inter-married, with many ramifications, and are very ambitious and

pushing. My mother and I have known them for many years, from the time that Mrs. M. S., as she was then, was quite uneducated and knew no English whatsoever. They lived mostly in a village in simple fashion. Their daughters were sent to Queen Mary college and were brilliant students; the sons of the family were sent to England for further study after they had finished college here. On their return the son from each family married a daughter from each family and there was a grand double wedding. Finally Sir M. S. was made the Minister of Education and later the Legal Member of the Viceroy's Council. The family now spend most of their time in Delhi and Simla, the winter and summer Capitals. At this time the great step was taken and they definitely gave up *purdah;* their names are frequently mentioned as dining at Viceregal Lodge etc. Lady M. S. took on an English Lady companion for a year or two and it is really remarkable what she has been able to do for herself, when already a grandmother! albeit a very young one. She learned to speak English fluently and is absolutely at ease in mixed society, though she told me how terribly hard her first dinner party was with a strange man on either hand. It took real bravery and I do not think they would ever have taken the initial step in their home city because of the criticism of elderly relatives as well as of the entire Mohammedan community. In fact, just the other day, she said to me, "you have no idea what I have had to bear; it has been very hard." While they were in Delhi and Simla they broke *purdah* but when they came home they kept it; now that his five year term of office is up and they have come back here to live they have boldly come out of *purdah* for good. We had them to dinner to meet Dr. and Mrs. Gilkey in January, and Sir M. S. told me that it was the first dinner party she had attended in her home city. He simply beamed with pride as he spoke, and we watched her, at the other end of the table, talking, in the most vivacious and easy way with Dr. Gilkey and my husband, between whom she sat. The other day we dined at their house, taking with us Dr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick of Columbia University. It was a very grand dinner party, the Finance Member and the Vice Chancellor, Sir Goeffrey de Montmorency, the Chief Secretary to Government, the Sikh member for Agriculture and his English wife, the Hindu member for Education without his wife, and a large company of English people and Indians. It was an eye opener to these visitors from America to see such a gathering, and I think I have never known a more charming host and hostess, who kept people moving about, introducing strangers and generally seeing that their guests had a good time.

As I said before, they have been greatly criticized. For instance a great friend of mine, a highly educated and charming Mohammedan lady, whose husband is a Judge, a very loyal graduate of the Forman college, whom I have known since childhood, told me that it would make it harder for other Mohammedan ladies of good family to break *purdah,* just because Lady S. had done so, for they would all be accused of doing it to curry favor with those high up in Government, to advance their husbands' positions! This very lady's brother, who is an old student of our's too, and a lawyer here, but chiefly famous as a Davis Cup tennis player, refuses to marry until he finds a girl he can know before marriage, and who does not keep *purdah.*

Education for Girls.

I am sure that more and more girls are going to school. The Hindus are keener on education for their girls but the Mohammedans are coming up in the scale.

Reform Movements, Politics, Women's Clubs and Baby Welfare

About ten years ago I attended a meeting of the All India Moslem Ladies League and I remember some of the papers I heard read. One debate was on polygamy. Of course the older women took the conservative view, but I will never forget the *naive* argument of one young woman, that no just man would ever think it right to have more than one wife; Mohammedan was a just man, therefore he did not believe in polygamy. The Begam of Bhopal was the patron of the conference, she sent a representative to act as President. They discussed such questions as *purdah*, marriage age, education, etc., and passed a lot of resolutions which they wished to have published, but I think it was not done as the more cautious and conservative were horrified at the thought and afraid of incensing the whole Mohammedan commuity.

I have not heard Mohammedan ladies discuss politics, although I know they are keenly interested in their husbands getting elected to the Provincial Assembly or the Councils in Delhi.

The Purdah Club in Lahore is almost defunct, chiefly due to being run by English ladies and censored by the Governor's wife as to what ladies are socially fit to belong. I am hoping something more worth while will arise out of the ashes. There is a Ladies League of Help of long standing, to which many of the Hindu, Mohammedan and Christian ladies belong. It meets to sew for the poor and work for the hospitals; it does a great deal of real good.

There is a good deal of interest in baby welfare, especially about the time of the annual Baby Week. I really think they are learning quite a bit about the better care of babies, though it is hard to tell how much gets under the surface.

Position in Home Weaker or Stronger?

There has not been much change though I should say that in the cases where the husband is well educated and the wife has no education, the wife has far less hold than she might have. I have often had men tell me that they would be glad to have their women folk leave *purdah*, and that it is the ignorance of the women themselves that is holding them back. We always find our old students only too glad to have their wives and daughters taught. Polygamy is not so common in these days.

In their approachableness to the Gospel Message—Are they more or less interested than of yore?

In regard to this I would like to tell of my feeling in regard to what these Mohammedan girls are learning in schools like Queen Mary college, where no religious teaching is allowed, only moral instruction. The English ladies in charge, fine Christian women, have had to give the girls this moral instruction and have given many great truths in this way, which are essentially Christian, but without giving the credit to Christ, so that I have had a Mohammedan woman educated there talk to me of the wonderful comfort to be had in prayer, in the belief in the future life etc., and give all the credit to Mohammed! When I tried to talk to her of the Gospel message, she calmly announced that she thought we would remain far better friends if we kept off religious subjects.

They resent very much any attempt to teach them of Christ unawares, as it were, i. e., invite them to tea and then preach to them. But occasionally we have had a drawing room meeting, definitely stating in the invitation that so and so would speak on a definite Christian subject, and they would come gladly and listen with the greatest appreciation, so that I reproach myself that we do not do it oftener.

SUDAN

Mrs. D. S. Oyler, Editor

WATER, WATER, EVERYWHERE!

By D. N. MacDiarmid

It is not, however, always lack of water that causes hardship in African travel. I well remember a trek my wife and I made in another part of the Sudan, when it was too much water, not the lack of it, that caused all the trouble. We were travelling on a road where there were no rest-houses at the camping places, and where all the ground was cotton soil. We had reached camp at about six o'clock in the evening, and our bulls, for we had bulls on that trip, came in a little later. Just as they reached the camp the rain began to fall, so we piled all our goods in a square heap on the ground and spread a non-waterproof tarpaulin over it. We sat with our backs to the boxes and held the tarpaulin out bent house-wise, with our feet and our heads, and wished for daylight.

It rained steadily all that night. Streams of water made mud all around and underneath us, and runlets of water from the folds of the canvass trickled through on top of us, and by midnight we were like shipwrecked mariners in the midst of a sea of mud. Occasional flashes of lightning showed us our servant and some of the bull people crouched like ourselves against the baggage, and some of them actually sleeping, like fish in the rising tide of black mud. But we merely sat and shivered, comforting ourselves every now and then by expressing the opinion that the rain seemed to be easing off a little. But it did not.

At three a. m. we were too cramped to sit any longer in such uncomfortable positions, so we got up and sat on our camp stools right out in the rain. We could not get any wetter, and at least the clean rain washed off some of the mud. Next day we rode for ten and a half hours through wet cotton soil to the nearest rest-house, and only those who know what wet cotton soil is like can appreciate what that means.

These difficulties of filthy water and too much water are after all the exception and not the rule. On our journey from El Obeid to the Nuba mountains our chief troubles ceased after we reached Talodi, the headquarters of the Nuba Mountains Province. There the governor very kindly entertained us for two days, and put a native policeman at our disposal to go with us the last three days of the journey. We were able to exchange our baggage camels for horses, and to divide our heaviest loads and put them on bulls.

For the rest of the journey all went well. There was plenty of good water at many places, plenty of guinea-fowl and patridges to shoot, and magnificent mountain scenery. It was thoroughly enjoyable travelling in the early morning along the narrow, winding track. Sometimes we passed through forest-land, sometimes across grassy plains, now and then we came to places where the road seemed to end, and we looked over a steep hillside across a vast expanse of country dotted with rock mountains and intersected by dry, sandy khors. Often on these journeys one sets out before daybreak, especially if there be a good moon, and the sight of the sunrise over the picturesque country is well worth the trouble of early rising.

African scenery changes very greatly with the changing seasons. After the first rains the grass seems to thrust up irresistibly from the soil that has six months' sunshine stored in it, and a carpet of green covers the whole land. The trees all burst into leaf, all manner of wild flowers, amongst which bulbs predominate, come into bloom among the luxuriant grass, and the blue black, rocky mountain sides are dotted with patches of varying green.

Then comes the middle of the wet season, with its torrential rains, and the flowers and all the lesser growths are swallowed up by the giant grasses. Grass to a heighth of eight or ten feet grows up along each side of a narrow track blotting out most of the landscape and covering all the inequalities of the ground. Viewed from a hill-side, the top of the grass looks like the surface of a well trimmed lawn, but from the path it seems like an interminable thicket of miniature bamboo. Should the grass be wet with the early morning dew, a rider on horseback passing through it needs a change of clothing at his breakfast camping-place, while a foot traveller has a continuous shower bath.

Soon the dry winds from the North turn the green grass stems to yellow, and before long great prairie fires, miles in length, sweep through the country. Then for two or three months the whole face of the land lies bare and blackened, storing up sunshine for the next season's riot of grass and flowers. Only the trees that have been tall enough to escape the flames show any sign of color in all the black desolation of charred grass stems. Here and there the bed of a dry sandy khor is seen winding like a river of white sand, and contrasting sharply with the blackened earth.

EGYPT

Minnehaha Finney, Editor, Tanta, Egypt

LUXOR GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

By Miss Ida Whiteside

The school has been fuller than usual this year, 325 girls in actual attendance, and between 60 and 65 boarders, besides three American and ten Egyptian teachers in our home. For the first time one of our own graduates is attempting to teach the advanced Arabic, and another the higher arithmetic. When we hear the results of the examinations we'll know how successful they have been. Our two graduates passed nicely.

We have our big commencement exercises in the winter, because it is too hot in May. This year we had a joint affair with the boys' school. It was less than half the work for us on the program, and every one seemed greatly pleased. In 1921 the present King of Egypt, visited us and gave each school $300 to be invested in Government bonds, and the income to be used for prizes for the best two pupils in the graduating classes each year. These prizes were presented at our entertainment. We wrote the King, and he sent the Governor of the Province to be his representative in presenting the prizes. A great fuss had to be made, spreading carpets in the aisle, getting fancy chairs, etc. for the King's representative. It all seems rather foolish to our American eyes, but it means a good deal to the people here and gives a real prestige and advertisement to the schools.

We have several new boarders this year. One of the newest and smallest is the daughter of a blind beggar out at Karnak, a Moslem. She used to lead her father about and help him beg. An American tourist with an English husband was attracted to her, and between us we were able to persuade the father to let her come. Mrs. Cartwright is paying for her in the school and clothing her as well. It was quite a task to settle down to school life and discipline after all the freedom she had had, but she seemed very happy with us before school closed.

The Ford has been a great convenience as well as pleasure again this year. We've made three rather long pleasure trips with friends, two,

south to Esna, and one, north to Dendera temple. The straight north and south road is pretty fair driving most of the way, and there is no other. I also made two trips across the river to the tombs, once with guests and once with our older girls. It is entirely possible to take the car across but is somewhat of a stunt as well. You drive down a steep bank, lengthwise of the river, turn at the steepest point and drive across a gangway just about the length and breadth of the car. Then you drop off six inches or so into a native sailboat that is just wide enough to take in the car lengthways. They lead in a carriage or two and as many horses, donkeys and people as can crowd on around the car, and sail across the river. On the other side a gang of men lift first the front and then the rear wheels onto the gangway and you drive off. The bank is not so steep but it is very sandy. The rest of the road is very good. The process is reversed coming back, only our bank is so steep that the car must have help to get up. There are now several cars for hire in town that cross often so that there may be more convenient arrangements sometime.

So much for the pleasure trips. There is hardly a day that we do not use the car for errands to the station, post office, bank, or to the branch of our primary department that is in town. I have taught the boy who runs our light and water plant to drive the car and now he can do some errands for me. Also he used the car to take our teacher for the blind back and forth to town each day.

The blind school is a new venture for us. Miss Annie Kyle, daughter of Dr. M. G. Kyle, has paid for the education of one of our girls in our Alexandria school so that she now can teach the blind to read Arabic and English in the Braille, to knit, sew, do arithmetic and so one. Miss Matilda is not very strong, but she seems to be very patient, kind, and successful in her work. She has had from four to seven blind girls besides one of our girls from Fowler Orphanage who is learning to carry on the work after Miss Matilda leaves. We had room to take Miss Matilda in as a Boarder, but no class room. So she has lived at the school and had her classes in Miss Walker's rooms in town.

Then we have used the car nearly every Sabbath for the village preaching. Our teachers and girls have been much interested in that again this year. A dozen or more girls have shared the work besides several of the teachers. We load about seven of us in the car and drive to one section at Karnak. There we separate. At one house we have two meetings, one for women that averages about ten, half of whom are Moslems. The other group has about 15 women and a few children in another street. At the same time another group of teachers and girls walk to two small settlements near the school. At one place they have had audiences of seventy.

One day the man of the house where we go in Karnak asked me to bring a sick Moslem friend out from Luxor after I returned. I did, and found him in an alley in Luxor where fifteen or twenty families of his relatives were living. We made that introduction an opportunity for a visit and Bible lesson later. One of the girls and I have gone twice, and been very well received. I hope during the summer she can do more, and can introduce one of our regular Bible women to the place.

Only two of our girls united with the Church this year. We have 18 members among the girls altogether. Of course not very many of our girls are old enough and some of them are communicants in the Coptic Church and would never be allowed to unite with us. But even so, there are several of our girls who should be com-

ing into the Church now. Just pray with us that next year will see many doing so.

One hundred and twenty-three of our girls were advanced enough to take the uniform examinations this year, where we had 80 last year. The results are not published yet. Last year we refused about eight girls permission to try because of their poor work. This year every one tried, so we'll probably have a few more failures.

In the women's evangelistic work, Miss Walker was alone after Christmas. In the present financial crisis the Women's Board could not see their way clear to undertake a clinic at Luxor, so Miss Jane Smith was transferred, first to fill an emergency at Beni Suef, and then in the fall to take over Miss Buchanan's clinics in Cairo.

Altogether it has been a good year for all of us, a year of steady work with God's blessing upon it. Don't forget to pray with us that our girls may unite with the Church, very sincerely giving themselves to Christ: that they may grow in grace and spirituality, that we may be wise in our contact with them and training of them for future work, that the girls may continue their interest in the evangelistic work, that those who hear may be led to accept Christ, and for us, that we may honor God in our lives, and be used of Him.

SICKNESS AND DISEASES

By Mrs. W. R. Walker

Small pox has been prevalent in Benha. The Health Department sends out men to vaccinate people whether or no. They just pounce down on a school and do the job without invitation, or announcement. It is no doubt the wisest way here.

When the men vaccinated the Boy's school here, they told Mr. Walker that they had never seen as good discipline in other schools as in the American schools. They said the custom is for the teachers to just drive the boys up with whips, cursing them and yelling at them all the time the work is being done. Our children in both schools here were very nice about it.

We have had some very pitiful cases come to our notice lately.

One man Mohammed, passed away after suffering for several years with cancer of the tongue. He went to the C. M. S. hospital in Cairo, a year ago and had an operation which did not bring much relief. The Dr. wanted to remove the tongue, entirely, but he would not hear to that. His suffering must have been intense. He had great pain in his head. He heard about Christ in the Hospital, and was much interested, and so was very thankful when any of our people could get down to visit him. For some time back he has not been able to talk so that we could understand what he was trying to say, so we do not know how much faith he had, but we hope that he has found Eternal Rest. He and his wife were a young couple, but had no children which was a great grief to them. After he died, his wife came to tell me all about his going. She said that a woman who never had had any children though married a long time, and a neighbor of theirs, had had a little baby boy just two weeks before Mohammed died. He was very delicate and they thought he would die almost any day, but he lasted till just the time that Mohammed died, then they brought him in and laid him on Mohammed's breast, so that although he never had a child to rejoice in, in life, he had a son in his death.

That woman is very attractive to me. She was very patient with her husband in his long illness, and suffering. His own mother did not come to see him very often, till he died, then she came and wanted to take everything that was left in the house. They had a young sheep that

was very much petted on Mohammed. She said that it grieved terribly over him. But the Mother tried very hard to get her other son to take it and everything else home to their house. She had just a little flour, three turkeys, five chickens and this young sheep. The son said "Why this woman has waited most patiently on Mohammed. Certainly she should have these things. Could you ever taste a piece of the meat of one of these fowls? I never could, etc." But in the end, his mother got all but the sheep. They had lost their house through expense while Mohammed was sick, but the ones who bought it, allowed them to live there till he died. So then she moved to her own mother's house, but she had very little to move but the sheep. Now she sits there, and takes her turn at watching the flies off of her mother's husband, since he has been stricken with paralysis, lately, and can not move. Her life is not what one would call exactly happy and free from care, but she is a very sweet patient woman. She loves to hear the Bible stories. She was comparing her husband's trials to Job's, but she said that Job had had all things restored to him many fold, and had good health in the end, but that Mohammed had not.

Not very far from them, lives a Coptic woman whose husband died just two weeks ago from the effects of poverty. The doctors diagnosed the disease as pellagra. It seems to be caused by having too much corn in the diet and too little fruits, salads, etc. Her fourteen year old son, Azeez is dying with the same disease. He and Zaky, who is still younger have both been in the Boys school here.

She had two small children, not yet in school. Poverty, you no doubt find quite often on a large scale in cities in U. S. A. But I think never, will you find the kind of poverty there, that you find in Mohammedan lands. The question for us is, just how to help them. There is no limit to their need financially, it seems. "The poor ye have with you always."

Two little girls, we'll call them Noor and Ferdus, were brought down into Egypt from the far away Sudan. They were put into the hands of Christian people but sad to say they did not have much of an opportunity to learn of Christ; suffice it to say that they heard of a person called "Jesus Christ" and had an intense longing *"to see Jesus."* So intense was this longing that the two little black girls would go up on the roof of the house of their master and look up to heaven and beg in the simple words of children, *"Lord, let us see Jesus."*

Then one day after a series of a change of circumstances the two little girls found themselves in the home of good people who went to church every Sabbath Day and little Noor went with the children. When she came back home she said to her sister Ferdus, "Oh, sister, I saw Christ today, you know—the man we have been asking to see." She thought the preacher she had seen in the pulpit in the church was Christ.

Those little girls who prayed so simply to see Christ have grown into womanhood, have been baptized in the name of Christ and have been faithful workers for him. Prayer has had a very real place in their lives all along the way from little slave girls to that of workers for Christ and the advancement of His kingdom.

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The Master came and called for Mrs. Isabelle Kelley, who answered the summons on March third, leaving four children and a number of grand-children and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Then Mrs. Ellen Clements, younger and more active, though in her 81st year, was called a week later. She never missed a church meeting when possible for her to be present, was active in Ladies Aid, always in her place in Bible School and Church service. While modest and retiring, she was kind and loving and very appropriate were the words of Solomon used by a long-time former pastor at her funeral, "In her tongue is the law of kindness."

While we sadly miss these friends and mourn their going, yet we are glad for them that they have entered into Life Abundant.

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This is the third time the W. G. M. S. Convention has been held in Kansas; in Topeka in 1907; in Sterling 1917 and in Pittsburg in 1927. These dates lead us to expect an invitation from Kansas for the Convention of 1937.

The Pittsburg church is a young church. Not many years ago it was a Home Mission Congregation. Today it is one of the strong churches of our denomination.

Dr. and Mrs. Hutchman, the Local Committee, and all the people of Pittsburg extended to us the most cordial hospitality. Nothing was left undone for the comfort and pleasure of the delegates.

THE OFFICERS

The President, Miss Lulu Buchanan was a representative of the Y. W. M. S. Her excellent leadership was proof sufficient that the W. G. M. S. will never falter nor fail as long as such leaders are being developed in the Young Womens' Societies.

Mrs. Hutchman proved herself equal to the double duty of Vice President and hostess.

Mrs. J. B. Hill, the Treasurer as usual, had a perfect report. Not one mistake in twenty-two years! Where is there another Treasurer with such a record?

Miss Robertson's beautiful story of the convention in this issue of the Magazine speaks for itself.

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Fourteen members of the Board were in attendance, Mrs. Wm. S. Cook being the only absentee.

All delegates were glad to meet and greet these devoted workers and to hear of their work from their own lips. Women who had never attended a W. G. M. S. Convention were especially happy to meet all these leaders, from Mrs. H. C. Campbell, the veteran who has served for 41 years, and who was always greeted with applause, to the newest member Mrs. J. French Kerr who has served but one year.

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It was a great joy to hear of our work from representatives from every field in the U. S. and in foreign lands. We counted it a special privilege to listen to the beautiful messages brought by Mrs. Samuel, of India.

Yes it was a good convention. As we went out from the final consecration service we felt strengthened; our hearts were stirred and there was born within us a new desire to do better work for the Master. In our hearts we were praying: "Lord this is Thy work; make us more efficient in it."

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REPORT OF

THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1927

IT is by the courtesy of the Women's General Missionary Society that we present to you the forty-eighth annual report of the United Presbyterian Women's Association of North America. As the great oak from the tiny acorn has grown, so from a very small beginning has this great work,—the Orphans' Home, Columbia Hospital and the Home for the Aged,—developed.

A Board of Directors composed of fifteen women has oversight of the three institutions. Each institution has its own Board of Managers consisting of twenty-five women. Each Board of Managers is assisted by an auxiliary composed of twenty-five young women.

The Association is supported by funds derived from membership fees, voluntary gifts from friends and missionary societies, bequests and trust funds and the receipts from the annual lawn fete.

Any one may become an annual member of the Women's Association by the payment of $1.00; a life member, $25.00; a life-director, $100.00. A donor may designate the life membership or life directorship to any one of the institutions. Membership fees should be sent direct to Association Treasurer.

The receipts for the *special* gifts for the year were:—$23,413.87, as follows:

From

Membership fees	$3,215.50
Bequests	3,041.00
New World Movement	836.74
Lawn Fete	7,836.28

Donation Days

Orphans' Home	$1,529.50
Columbia Hospital	$3,786.00
Aged Pepl's. Home	$3,168.85
	$8,484.35

Received from the New World Movement from August 1, 1920 to May 1, 1927, $237,986.23.

The lawn fete held annually in the interest of the three institutions is the largest event of the year. It is not only a financial benefit, but it is a place of real fellowship and renewing of friendships.

The annual Reception and Donation day of each institution is generously remembered by our friends who bring not only cheer, but gifts of money and merchandise and stock well the larder.

We would not forget to say thank you to the many friends and societies throughout the church who send barrels of canned fruit, jams, jellies and vegetables—all of which help to make these institutions real homes.

Once a year, in September, a day for special prayer and praise is set aside. The service is held in the First Church, Pittsburgh. Except for a message by one of our ministers, the time is devoted to prayer and praise.

THE ORPHANS' HOME

The Orphans' Home, now in its forty-ninth year, the "first love" of the women of our Church, was established to care for orphans or half-orphans of the Church and other helpless little ones. Children of United Presbyterian homes have first

claim, others being admitted when there is room. The ages considered are those between two and fourteen years.

Boarding is charged, according to the ability of the responsible party, but in cases where there is no one to pay, the Home meets the expense. Eighty-two children have been cared for the past year, twenty-two dismissed, one legally adopted and one taken by death.

It has been the earnest endeavor to make this a real Christian home. Family worship is held morning and evening. The children attend Sabbath School and church at the Fifth Allegheny, close by, where they are reverent worshipers. They attend the public school. Ten are in Junior High School, *ten* lunches to be packed daily.

Most of the children enjoyed vacation last summer, being guests of our friends in the country. The health of the children was fine during the winter, but in May the Home had an epidemic of diphtheria carriers which meant segregation for the Home and quarantine in the Infirmary for the disease carriers. A special teacher was provided to keep the children up to grade in their studies.

All special holidays are fittingly observed, the Young Women's Auxiliary having a large part in these occasions. A party was held just before Easter and the evening meal prepared and served by the Auxiliary. The children in turn entertained their hostesses with an evening of program. Easter morning there was a surprise breakfast, the table being decorated and an Easter basket at each place.

On Decoration day, the children had an all-day outing at Riverview Park. This was repeated several times during the summer. In June, as guests of the Pittsburgh Automobile Club, they enjoyed a fine drive through Highland Park, stopping at the Zoo, then on to Schenley Park, where a bountiful lunch, donated by a friend, was served. Afterwards there were games and a general good time.

On September nineteenth, their Annual Association day, the children were guests at Shadyside church. The day was beautiful and warm. The girls in white and the boys in white waists presented a beautiful sight. Their behavior gave reason for pride.

They attended the Junior Rally at Mt. Lebanon church on September twenty-fifth and carried home the banner awarded to the society having the largest number present. One of the children was made a life-member of the Junior society by a friend.

Gertrude Zink of India spent a Sabbath afternoon with the children telling them of her work. This they enjoyed very much and asked her many intelligent questions about what they had read in the missionaries letters in the "Youth's Evangelist."

Before Christmas, all the children, except, the babies, were taken to the nearest "Five and Ten." Being provided with a quarter apiece by the Auxiliary, they enjoyed doing their own Christmas shopping. The Home had the best holiday season ever. It was remembered by various churches. The Pittsburgh Press sent a truck

load of fine toys. The Pittsburgh Railway Company furnished transportation to two entertainments, one being the Magician Thurston. The children attended a number of entertainments given by several churches of the neighborhood and the First Church Community House.

The Home was the recipient of many donations. Chartiers Presbyterial presented a shower of nearly one thousand articles of household linens. The North Side and East End branches of the Needlework Guild sent a fine lot of articles. Much sewing was done by the different churches and societies. The churches far and near have filled the shelves of the cupboard with fine fruit. Everything done for the Home has been much appreciated.

On leaving the Home, each child is given a Bible with his name inscribed on the cover with the hope and prayer that it may prove a "lamp unto his feet" and a "light unto his path."

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL

Columbia Hospital, successor to Memorial Hospital, is in its twenty-first year. Although under the management of United Presbyterian Women, it is not sectarian. It is a chartered institution, ministering to any creed, color or station in life. It is equipped to care for two hundred and seven patients. It is manned by a staff of physicians well known for their skill and ability.

Although refused state appropriation because it is deemed sectarian, the Managers will continue to admit free patients for the purpose of the *hospital* is to *relieve* and *uplift humanity*. As in all hospitals, the expense of carrying on the work is heavy and Columbia does its share for ward patients. During the year ending October 1, 1926, 743 free patients were treated. Last November the Superintendent reported $3,000.00 worth of free work and each month an average of $2,200.00 for the same cause.

The Out Patient Department, under the direction of Miss Ruth Walker, has grown, having more than six hundred new patients. Nearly two thousand free visits were made the past year.

Twenty-two missionaries and members of United Presbyterian minister's families have been our guests. From all have come letters of gratitude and appreciation. "Nothing is eternal, but what is done for God and others."

On October 5, 1926, thirteen nurses were graduated from the School of Nurse-Training. This school is on the accredited list in the state of Pennsylvania for 1926.

Congregations have rendered a great service in doing much needed sewing.

Since September the hospital has been in the hands of the builders. The improvements consisted of rooms for twenty-five additional nurses, eleven rooms for private patients, a pathalogical department, an autopsy room and a dietetic laboratory,—the last being entirely equipped by the Young Women's Auxiliary. Many of the floors in the old part of the hospital, showing the wear of twenty years, have been done over,—some with battleship linoleum and others with a new composition.

The Young Women's Auxiliary cares for the children's ward, keeping up the supply of linen, cribs, etc. It gave the ward a quartz lamp. These young women serve refreshments on special days, such as Donation day or the nurses' commencement. The Auxiliary held a Christmas sale which netted it $1,800.00. Each year it donates the Thanksgiving dinner to nurses and patients and decorates the hospital for the holiday season. The Board is effusive in its praise of the untiring efforts and loyal support of these young women.

The donations to the hospital have been many and generous. To all donors we extend our grateful thanks.

In the midst of all the care for the *physical* man, the *spiritual* man is not *overlooked.* The nurses have devotional services morning and evening, and on Sabbath, religious services are held by ministers of different denominations. As a further proof that the hospital is not sectarian, the sick receive solace and comfort from minister, priest or rabbi.

THE HOME FOR THE AGED

The Home for the Aged is now thirty-five years old. Once it was a house of fourteen rooms,—now it is large enough to accommodate a family of ninety. It is surrounded by a beautiful green lawn and majestic shade trees.

Three hundred and eighty-five persons have been admitted to the Home during these years. A few have withdrawn, some were dismissed and many have been crowned. Forty-one applications were received the past year. Nine members of the family were called to the Home above and an equal number was admitted to fill the vacancies created. The family now numbers eighty-five, ten being men. There are two couples in the number. The average age is seventy-eight, twelve being sixty-five or over, thirty-five being seventy or over, thirty-three eighty or over, four above ninety,—the oldest ninety-three. Considering the advanced years of its members, the health of the family is remarkable.

The members of the family have tender care, the sick and feeble being ministered to by sympathetic nurses. One of the old ladies declared that the care received was better than that in a private room in one of the best hospitals. Many kind expressions come from the members of the family regarding their thought of it. One old man, some time after admission said, "This is wonderful! Why,—it is better than the Waldorf-Astoria! I only wish I had a lot of money to leave to it!"

The Home is made as comfortable as possible for the family. This year the improvements were not general, but in twenty-seven rooms in the west wing of the Home, stationary wash-stands were installed. The members of the family occupying these rooms enjoy the luxury of running water, both hot and cold.

Several missionary societies, each in a different month, have held meetings in the Home, inviting the family to join with them. The programs and the calls later in the rooms were much enjoyed.

Special days, such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Saint Valentine's, Saint Patrick's and Easter are

planned for by the Auxiliary. Each Tuesday a member of the Auxiliary visits in the Home. Each birthday is remembered with a card. From time to time home-made cake, ice-cream, candy and flowers are enjoyed by the members of the family because of these same young women. The Auxiliary plans for at least one entertainment a month and, in some months, more. In December, the feast of good times and good things overflowed. Many friends have in this way brought a change of thought and the *friendly touch of the outside world.*

On Christmas morning the nurses from Columbia Hospital sang carols in the halls of the Home. Carols were also sung by a number of outside organizations during the holidays. The old folks enjoyed a real Christmas party with Santa, bells and tree and gifts for all. Throughout the week, packages came from friends for the family. One member, spending her first Christmas in the Home, said if she had not witnessed it all, she would not have believed it could be true,—it was so wonderful!

A very interesting Thank-Offering service was held in November, the offering being $66.39. Each Sabbath, at three o'clock, a church service is held by one of our minsiters in or near the city. When convenient the minister brings the singers, otherwise the Young Women's Auxiliary arranges for them. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is observed once a year.

February twenty-second was annual donation day. The American flag, flowers and ferns were used in decoration. All was cheer within the Home although King winter reigned without. The Auxiliary looked well after the guests in the dining room. Many donations of fruit, vegetables, meat and linens, as well as gifts in money, were brought by kind and thoughtful friends. Each month donations for the family as well as for the house have been received from missionary societies and friends. This year twenty-six societies and thirty-seven prebyterials made donations to the Home. The Monday evening Bible Class was taught by a Seminary student. To show their appreciation, the members of the class remembered him on his birthday with a beautiful silk umbrella, a member of eighty-one years making the presentation speech.

This in brief is the report of the work of the Women's Association. The orphan has been protected, the sick ministered unto and the aged comforted. The secret of any success attained may be expressed in the words used so frequently by our loved and revered president, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, "We have trusted the Lord absolutely and He has never failed us." Added to this we have our Lord's commendation, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

ANNETTA M. LITTLE

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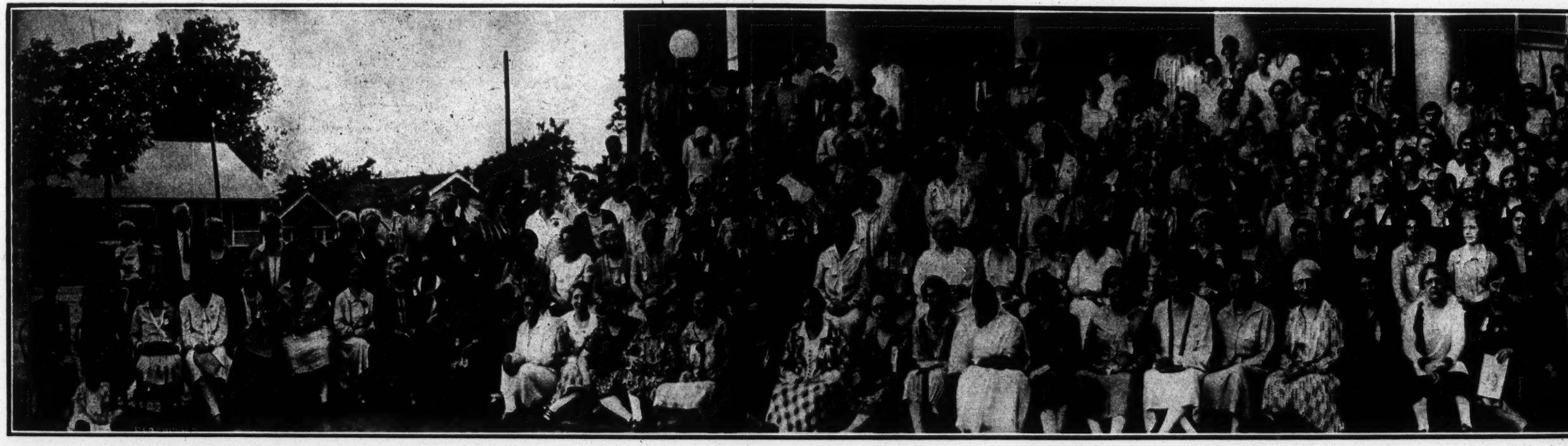

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1. If at first they don't re-new, Try, try again!
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Chorus—
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And there's surely a corner left for you!
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Work on for new subscribers To our magazine!
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Work for our twenty thousand For the magazine!

2. Work for the world is waiting—Waiting the Hope of man;
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3. Work for our twenty thousand! Think what our goal would mean—
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Work for our twenty thousand For the magazine!

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